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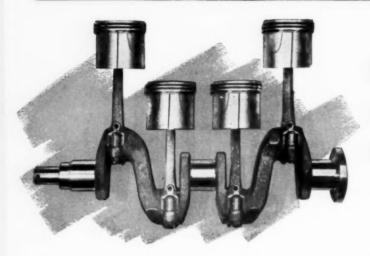
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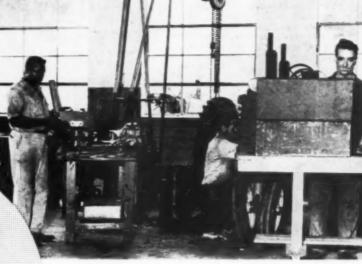
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AVERY MODEL A TRACTOR

Repair work done in the shop of the Pulaski Implement Co. plays a primary role in all of the company's promotional campaigns. The owners look upon quality work as a stepping stone to sales of new equipment



SERVICE IS A SALES BUILDER

By F. W. Burnett

Pulaski Implement Co. North Little Rock, Arkansas

THOROUGH, dependable repair work is fundamental in the successful operation of a farm equipment dealership. In fact, the quality of this work—or lack of it—can make or break the particular business.

We have recognized the importance of the repair department and have actually given it first importance in our sales campaign, which is aimed at several hundred tenant farmers who buy their own equipment and large plantations, operating as many as 40 tractors.

We consistently promote our repair department, and our volume from repair work has increased substantially.

Repair service should not be given a secondary role in any promotional campaign. Without repairs and service, sales would drop off immediately in all categories. Farmers want reliable service from the dealer who sold the equipment. If they don't get it, they soon drift to another dealer who can give the service.

It is our repair department that is most important to the tenant farmer—that "little farmer" we are trying to turn into a big one through our various promotions. The tenant farmer seldom can afford to buy a new tractor and other equipment, but he is our primary market for good used equipment that comes to us. As a consequence, the tenant farmer makes the acceptance of trade-ins profitable for us.

We get this business because we advertise the availability of used equipment, display it on our lot, and back up our sales with the assurance of efficient repair service.



F. W. Burnett helps area's tenant farmers to mechanize

Our records show that in Pulaski County there are 601 cash tenant operators. These are the ones who buy their own tractors and equipment. Of all the 3,925 operators in our county, these 601 names offer us the best market for our reconditioned used equipment.

In line with this we have a mailing list that includes all tenant farmers in our territory who equip themselves. Since we opened for business in 1947, we have been getting out a monthly bulletin which we call the Pulaski Implement News. My son writes the copy, and draws the cartoons for the bulletin, which is mimeographed by a local shop.

These monthly bulletins, used as statement stuffers, have a definite sales aim. Each issue tells about seasonal, new equipment, but most of the space is devoted to repair service. Some of the subjects covered in a typical bulletin are magneto repair work, worn pedestals which cause hard steering, repairs on governor housings, rethreading of spindle threads, etc.

Another bulletin tells about our complete rebuilding service, and urges the farmer to give his

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tractor a complete yearly checkup.

We try to serve the tenant and small farmer well, but we never lose sight of the fact that the bulk of repair sales are made to the large plantation. Our average customer has 4.7 tractors. Several own as many as 25, and one has 40, with a complete plantation repair shop. However, this plantation shop cannot compare with ours, and we do many a job for it.

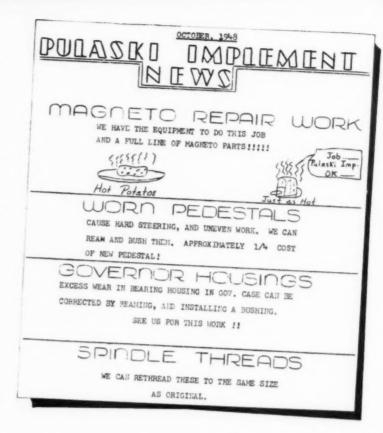
Because our repair shop is such an integral part of our sales program, we have tried to make it operate with the utmost efficiency.

Our repair department must pay its own way on labor alone. It gets no credit for parts. We never delude ourselves about what that department is doing. We know about the profits it makes. All job orders go through the parts department instead of the shop. The shop even turns in "time" to the head of the parts department.

It is our pride that, throughout the plant, every item has a "home," which is especially emphasized in the parts department. It takes only 30 seconds to find any part and get it to the front



J. L. Burnett, above, draws the monthly bulletins which are, in turn, mimeographed. Right: Shop foreman, W. B. Dawson, has the latest equipment available



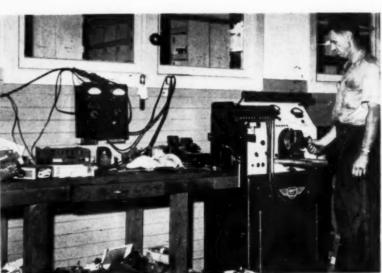
counter. Our customers like that show of efficiency. It helps to emphasize what we tell them in our monthly bulletins about our complete parts department that serves all their needs.

Every parts bin has its own bin card, which identifies the part by number and bin. Each drawer has 74 additional subdivisions that accommodate 74 items. In our record

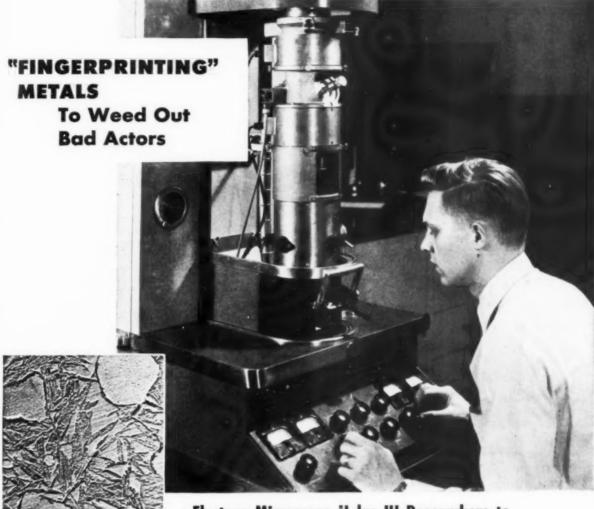
system, we use the master card that is standard in branch houses, but unusual for retail establishments. We post stock record cards every day, which keeps us current each morning. It all helps us to give better, faster service.

When we sell a tractor, our leading sales point is low cost of upkeep. Our service and parts de-

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Men and Machines that Help Maintain International Harvester Leadership



Here's what an IH researcher sees when he looks at a sample of steel under the electron microscope. This is a picture of the internal structure of heat-treated steel.

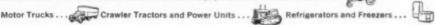
Electron Microscope Helps IH Researchers to Study Minute Particles Never Seen Before

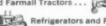
An electron microscope, which enlarges objects 100,000 times, helps IH researchers to study the make-up of metals. Minute particles that hide from ordinary microscopes are easily seen. This enables International Harvester technicians to "fingerprint" metals-to actually take the measure of particles in steel. These findings help to solve practical manufacturing problems in IH factories.

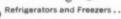
The 250 technicians at IH Manufacturing Research work closely with product engineers and production men in IH factories. This trail-blazing team constantly seeks ways to improve today's farm equipment-helps to plan even better products for the future.



International Harvester Builds McCormick Farm Equipment and Farmall Tractors . . .









Chicago 1, Illinois

FARM EQUIPMENT SECTION of Southern Hardware for FEBRUARY, 1950



Developing the Market for HAY BALERS

RARM equipment dealers who are having difficulty moving certain machines or implements, especially those new units with which farmers are unfamiliar, should use a few of these implements for custom farming—just long enough to clear away this natural skepticism of the wary farmer by establishing just what the equipment will do.

There is no better way to demonstrate — forcefully — farm machinery. In most instances, the machine will soon sell itself, and custom farming operations, having served their purpose, can be discontinued.

This is the experience of J. C. Warren, who operates the Warren Farm Equipment, Columbia, Tennessee.

A few years ago, Warren began offering a new type of baler. It was so different from any type that farmers in the territory had seen before that there were no immediate sales.

The implement, when pulled down the windrow by a tractor, rolled the hay up in round bales, tied them with binder twine, and left them on the ground for later pick-up. Unlike most other units in the territory, the baler didn't require an extra motor, but operated altogether from the pull of the tractor.

But because the unit was considerably different from what they were accustomed to handling, the farmers resisted practically all the sales psychology that Warren had ever been taught.

Finally, Warren took the showroom model that no one wanted to buy and decided to make it pay its board as a custom baler. Around hay time he began calling up some of the prospects who had

By Ross Holman

been saying "no" and offering to bale their hay at 15 cents a bale. From then on out he would let the baler sell itself.

He got a number of custom jobs. On making a deal with a farmer, he instructed him to rake the hay into a windrow two or three hours after cutting—that is, after it had time to lose a certain percentage of the original moisture. Then, after a day or so of curing in the windrow, he would send a man and a machine to do the baling.

With each farmer for whom he did this work he made a special offer. After getting his hay processed he was allowed to apply the baling charge to the purchase of the baler, or a similar new unit. Then the machines began to move.

Today Warren, with a few alterations in his original custom system, is selling more balers than he can get. He is selling more than six times the number allotted by the factory and is buying surplus balers from dealers all around his section.

In doing this custom work he made money for himself, sale or no sale. His machine operator could tie up 1,000 bales a day at 15 cents each. \$150 a day for the use of a \$1,000 machine is pretty good earning power. But that \$150 usually looked as big to the farmer as to Warren, and the working demonstration, as a rule, convinced the farmer that the machine was a practical buy.

Whenever he arranged to work a crop of hay for a prospect, Warren called up all the nearby farm owners who needed balers and invited them over to see the demonstration. There's nothing that will tear down sales resistance like a public demonstration. If it is successfully carried out, the mass admiration of the crowd helps each individual make up his mind.

As a result of one of these demonstrations, a spectator bought a new baler to bale his own and a neighbor's crop. After both crops were put up, the neighbor himself came into town and bought one of the machines.

Finally, custom work made such





DOW, MAKE DOLLARS GROW ON GRASS



Too many of the permanent pastures in your community are little more than exercise lots for livestock. Overgrazed for years, sod bound, and starved for plant food, they "bloom" a little each spring; then die back, as animals browse the ill-nourished grasses to the very roots.

Most of these worn-down fields can be rejuvenated, quickly, easily, profitably. Thousands of farmers are renovating their permanent pastures, doubling and tripling grazing capacity. Many other thousands of farmers could do so.

Results can be phenomenal: An Indiana farmer spent \$32.80 per acre (a heavier investment than usual) and netted \$150 within three summers. But his results were not unusual. Ohio's pasture specialist says it's not uncommon for farmers to realize \$70 per acre per year, by improving pastures that have been almost completely idle—contributing little or nothing.

The formula is simple: Rip up the old sod good, as illustrated above. Lime and fertilize the soil, and re-seed. In re-seeding, introduce a quick-growing pasture crop—such as oats. Include pasture grasses and legumes in the seeding mixture—as recommended locally. Nature does the rest. If the farmer has livestock, this is as near to a "sure thing" investment as he can make.

You know the equipment angle—a field cultivator or disk tiller to rip apart the old sod, a lime spreader, a drill with fertilizer and grass seed attachments. Talk with your county agent or soil conservation men for their local recommendations. This is one more place where you can help your customers—in a way that will help you, too.

JOHN DEERE . Moline . Illinois



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heavy demand on his time, Warren made a deal with a farmer who had bought one of his balers, to do it for him. He takes orders for the jobs at his store, 'phones them to the farmer-partner, and gives him all the 15 cents-perbale charge. The farmer reciprocates by acting as Warren's demonstrator and by strongly recommending the unit.

To be assured of satisfied customers. Warren sells every baler with an understanding that one of his own service men will operate it the first day to show the new buyer how it operates. When a farmer places his order, Warren keeps the machine at his store and delivers on the day the hay is ready to bale. Except on actual sales, or deals in which the prospect agrees to buy if he likes the way the baler works, Warren no longer does any custom baling himself, but turns the orders over to his farmer-partner.

Not long ago he made a deal with a prospect to deliver a machine to his farm the day his hay was ready for baling. Warren went ahead and invited a number of other farmers over to watch the demonstration. Two or three days before the demonstration the buyer on whose farm it was to take place called up and asked to be released from buying the machine. Warren saw at once that he had been scared out of the purchase by competing salesmen.

"Of course I will let you out of this deal, if you are dissatisfied," replied Warren, "but I have invited a number of farmers over to your farm to see it work on the day it is supposed to be delivered. They have all been told that you are buying my machine. You owe it to me to let me go ahead with this demonstration on your hay field as announced, but you are not obligated to buy."

The farmer agreed, and the demonstration went off without a bobble. Admiring neighbors commented on its smooth performance, and just as Warren prepared to load the machine and carry it back to his store, the reneging buyer stopped him. "Since seeing that machine work," he said, "I think I am going to like it." That was what Warren had hoped he would say. But if he had called off the demonstration, it would have put him in a bad spot, whether the prospect reconsidered or not,

Warren now has sold balers all







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over his trade transcript, and they have demonstrated their usefulness in so many communities that sales are much easier. Many of his buying customers do custom work themselves, and many sales have resulted from these jobs.

The sale of balers has given a great lift to another implement. That is the hay loader. After hay is baled and left on the ground, the loader is attached to the side of the tractor, which carries it over the field to pick up the bales and load them into the wagon trailer behind. A man in the wagon stacks the bales as they are dropped in. The loader has a conveyor which carries each bale from the ground to the loading wagon.

Warren is convinced that the baler and loader will be fine sellers—come depression or plenty. Anything that will cost a farmer more to do without than to own doesn't have to depend on a boom economy to be sold.

"You can bale your entire hay crop with just one man who can drive a tractor," explains Warren. "But suppose you don't buy, but hire, a custom baler. By the time you bale 300 tons, or 250 acres of hay at 15 cents a bale, you have bought the baler for the man who owns it, without owning a dime's worth of it yourself. After you get it baled, the extra hired labor of putting that much hay in your barn would almost buy the loader."

The loader can be used not only to load hay on a wagon in the field but to help elevate the bales into the barn.

While Warren sells many balers and loaders through satisfied customers, he pays no bonuses on these sales. He says that while many implement dealers are successful in putting over sales this way, they frequently backfire. A farmer who has been persuaded

into buying a machine through a neighbor user feels let down when he learns that neighbor was paid for his sale-producing endorsement.

While Warren finds custom work an ideal method of demonstration which pays its own way, he has never pursued it with anything except a new type of implement or a radically changed design of an old one. He steers away from free demonstrations as much as possible-that is, free to spectators and expensive to himself. But he does lead many a prospect to the dotted line by carrying him to the farm of a purchasing customer and showing him the performance of a machine in actual operation. This gives him the supporting endorsement of a satisfied

Fairbanks-Morse Makes Sales Personnel Changes

S EVERAL changes in the sales organization of Fairbanks, Morse & Co., 600 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago, have been announced.

J. A. Cuneo, formerly branch manager, Los Angeles, has been transferred to Chicago to assume the duties of manager of the company's Chicago branch. A. M. McLaren succeeds him as Los Angeles branch manager.

John S. King, formerly manager of the Chicago branch, has been moved to Cincinnati as branch house manager of that sales area. He succeeds J. S. Peterson, who has been transferred to Chicago and will be attached to the sales manager's office.

William H. Kingsley, formerly district manager of the New York office of the Ideal Electric & Mfg. Co., has been named manager of the electrical division of Fairbanks-Morse, with headquarters in the company's executive offices in Chicago.

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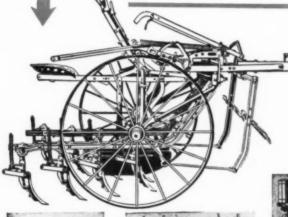
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Everything has been built into this fast, efficient disc harrow to assure maximum operating efficiency in soil preparation, time and labor saving, long life service. One man can load end gangs easily. End gangs detachable. 15 ft. Diskmor goes through 12 ft. gate with eose with end gangs loaded.



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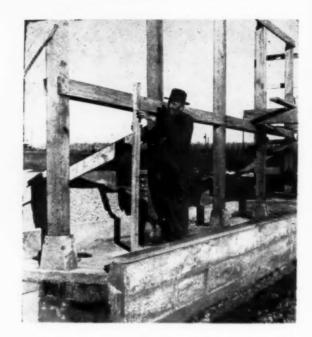
Nothing has been spared to make this horse drawn disc harrow the finest money will buy. It is modern in every de-

tail . . . a fast worker . . . and as efficient as sound engineering and long experience can make it. Extra large bearings add extra years of service . . frames are extra heavy and sturdy . . . positive scrapers keep the discs clean . . . instant adjustment for working dead furrows is made with center foot lever . . . and there are dozens of other equally important features that make this disc harrow tops in its field.



He Sells *Farm - Tested* Equipment

By L. H. Houck



PERFORMANCE is the pay-off!
That's the belief of William
Steffins, farm equipment dealer
of Higginsville, Missouri, who can
boast that every piece of equipment sold by his firm has been
farm-tested prior to the sale.

Of all the trades and professions, the science of farming probably has the longest list of variables and is most subject to confusion between theory and practice.

The farming business, being what it is, makes the practical profit-minded farmer put much stock in actual performance. He knows that one farm practice will succeed in one place and fail in another. He values what a farm tool will do in his own dirt more than impressive selling speeches or alluring catalog pictures.

With this in mind, Steffins founded his farm equipment business, more than 30 years ago, on the idea of farm-testing every item that he sells. As a result, the number of customers and sales volume have increased each year.

Steffins was a farmer before going into the implement business, and he resumed farming again after establishing his dealership. The primary reason stemmed from his belief that an implement could not be properly sold unless it had been tested in local soil.

"I wouldn't want to be in the implement business without having a farm of my own," Steffins said For instance, in the matter of feed grinders Steffins has in use on his own farm two of the brand that he has been selling for years. He likes the construction of this machine and its general performance, and he has sold hundreds of them to farmers in his territory—nearly all of whom share his enthusiasm for the product. Steffins is convinced that a considerable number of these grinders are sold each year mainly because enthusiastic owners have passed the world along to friends and neighbors.

Of course, there are many grinders on the market, a fact that Steffins will admit, but not every dealer is so enthusiastic about his product and consequently cannot inject such enthusiasm into his selling. Steffins favorable attitude stems from use and ownership of the machine and the actual knowledge that it operates economically, does a good job, and that repair parts and service are available.

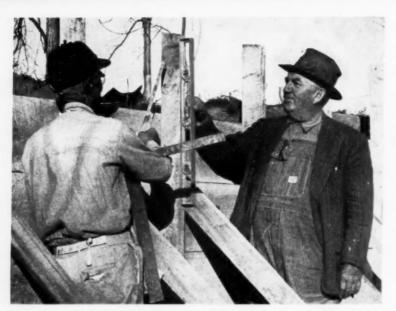
To assure dependable performance, this dealer first tests on his own farm all the machinery which he sells Steffins never adds a new product to his line of merchandise until he has put it to work on his own farm and is convinced that his customers and neighbors can make profitable use of it. He claims to be a hard buyer when a new product is offered.

Steffins' test farm is not just a few acres. It consists of several hundred acres and he produces wheat, corn, oats, grass, hogs and cattle. He has made demonstration fences, model pastures, built waterways and terraces, barns, houses and corn cribs.

Every tractor in his line has been tried out at some job on his farm. He has checked pulling power, gasoline and oil consumption, and general performance on his own land. When he tells a customer that a tractor will do a certain job the customer knows this to be true. He is in a position, also, to warn customers against certain tasks that tractors should not be expected to perform efficiently. Customers often ask if they can do certain heavy grading and terrace work with one of the smaller tractors. He tells them it can't be done economically because he has tried it, or that the capacity is so small that it will pay the farmer to have a big machine brought in to do the terraces and waterways.

At present, he is building a revolutionary barn for feeder cattle. This barn is designed to eliminate much of the work connected with watering and feeding





Steffins, right, supervises the construction of a new corn crib which he designed and will test before recommendation to other farmers

beef cattle. Hundreds of local farmers have visited his farm to see the barn. When it is completed many will want to incorporate some of the features in barns of their own. At the same time he is building a permanent corn crib of unusual design.

The fact that he is driving toward the goal of making his own farm a model of efficiency, utility and beauty, keeps others interested in what he is doing. Naturally most of these people either are customers already or will soon become customers. Such activity keeps Steffins in contact with the very people he wants for customers.

"Fair dealing and honesty should be a part of every business," Mr. Steffins said, "and no one is entitled to praise for being honest. Consequently honesty is not enough on which to build a business. I could recommend a farm tool to a customer in all honesty and yet not know what it would do. We both would be taking the word of the manufacturing company which might not know that the equipment is unsuited for certain unusual jobs. For that reason I take every item that we sell and farm-test it under local conditions. In this way I have first-hand knowledge of the capacity and limitations of each item."

First-hand knowledge and farm testing also is a valuable asset when a customer makes a complaint about a farm tool, Steffins said.

If the customer is disappointed, the usual reason is that he has failed to handle the machine according to recommendations or has attempted a job that it can't

More often, Steffins has determined the limitations of the machine in his own farm-testing program and can pass on some valuable advice to the purchaser at the time of purchase. Since they know him to be a practical farm operator and a successful farmer they will pay far more attention to what he says about a tool than they would to a salesman who did not have such practical experience.

Steffins also can determine correct and incorrect methods of using a tool by farm-testing. Sometimes a line of fine print—often overlooked in the instruction book—becomes highly important in the field. A farm-testing program makes these discoveries.

Of chief value, of course, are performance records. When customers ask Steffins how many acres can be plowed in a day with a certain outfit and what the hourly cost is, they know that the figures he gives them have come from actual plowing on his own farm.

Steffins demonstrates his equipment on prospects' farms, too, but here again his farm-testing plan pays dividends, because he and all his employees have had actual experience on a real farm before they try to show another farmer what an implement will do.

It all adds up to increased sales and Mr. Steffins reports that he has had a constantly increasing business.

Service Is a Sales Builder

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partments make our promise come
true.

We like to have a customer with a typical Missouri "show-me" attitude. That gives us the opportunity to put our store on parade. We built it just for that—an efficient sales and service set-up designed to serve customers permanently.

We have our own railroad siding behind the buildings, consisting of the main structure, with an area of 60 x 140 feet, and the separate work house, where we assemble equipment. Because we buy in carload lots whenever possible, the work house and the railroad siding prove an investment in efficiency.

Some dealers let that word "service" blanket everything from a shop reboring job to sending the parts truck to the plantation. We draw a line in our organization. Service is separate from shop repairs. Our chief mechanic has his own service truck, which answers calls. He installs parts and makes repairs on the spot. He makes callbacks on customers, and aids the sales department in selling repairs and equipment. This is carried on our books as service.

The customers will find no side lines here. We have concentrated all our strength on farm equipment. When he wants the luxuries, which he can buy after he begins to prosper from mechanized farming, we are content for him to buy them elsewhere.

One side of the parts department has been arranged for the self-service shopper. Here plow shares, frogs, and other smaller items are kept in available places. The top of the counter has been arranged for bolts of all sizes. This is of great help to the farmer who does not know what size to ask for, but recognizes it when he sees it.

Service like that, we believe, brings many a customer to us. It is one of our ways to make the farmer want to spend his money with us. For More Sales, Greater Profits...Sell 1950's

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Who trained him? Why is he inefficient?"

These are three questions that every farm equipment dealer might ask himself when his complaints against the low caliber of employees begin to rise in the wind.

Admittedly, most dealers mean well towards their employees, but everywhere questions such as these arise: "How can I get every employee to be a salesman? How can I get shop men to put away their tools? How can I cut absenteeism? How can I get more efficiency?"

These are top priority questions in view of today's strong competition. It's no secret that the key to the farm equipment business lies in good service, and employee contentment is the first big step towards bettering service in the modern power-farming world.

But how does an employer go about getting the most in effort and willingness from employees? Psychologists say that employees want recognition more than they do extra money. Whatever the case, a good, workable profitsharing plan usually will go a long way towards accomplishing both objectives.

That is the experience of the Fairfield Tractor Company of Columbia, South Carolina, which has had a successful profit-sharing plan in operation since 1947. Prior to that time, profit-sharing in this business was similar to plans used by many farm equipment dealers—a bonus given once a year, which could not be counted on as a definite thing and which was rather hard for the employee to associate with his daily effort.

This is one defect of the annual bonus plan, according to S. S. Coleman, president of the company. As he explains, it is difficult for the employee to keep his mind intent upon something that is to take place 12 months hence.

Left, a company mechanic receives a quarterly profit-sharing check from S. R. McMaster, Jr., secretary-treasurer of the Fairfield Tractor Company. In the company's bonus plan, an employee's individual effort is recognized

Secondly, the employee has no definite understanding that his own individual effort will be particularly rewarded. The payment is not connected necessarily to his own work.

In planning its profit-sharing system, the company set up its bonus payment on a quarterly basis.

"When an employee can see the tangible results of his own efforts paid to him in the form of a substantial check every three months, he really begins to feel that he is part of the company," point out both Coleman and S. R. McMaster, Jr., secretary-treasurer of the company.

A greater frequency of payment and recognition is the primary principle of this plan—getting the rewards out into the open and into the minds of employees. It must be implanted in their thoughts that daily individual effort will be properly rewarded.

Another important principle was followed here - frankness and openness about the whole plan. The management here wanted to get far away from the idea that bonuses would be handed down to employees in an automatic and routine manner. Accordingly, a meeting was held at the inception of the plan, which was explained fully to all employees. Emphasis was placed on the fact that questions, problems, and just plain "talk-it-over" sessions would be welcome at any time. Employees were encouraged to talk it over with management at any time.

Books are open for employees to see at any time. Though this information is not posted when the quarterly statement is made, any employee knows that he can see the financial standing of the company if he so desires. "We have wanted every employee to feel that he is part of the company," states Coleman. "If he does anything to hurt the company, he hurts himself, and if he does anything good for us, he helps himself." Having the employee thus identify his own future with that



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Employees are graded periodically on individual effort. Here, McMasier receives reports from his shop foreman and parts manager. These reports help in determining the size of the bonus which an employee receives. With this system in operation, employees are encouraged to put forth their best effort

of the company is one of the main rewards of good profit sharing methods,

There is another unusual aspect of this profit-sharing plan. Most annual bonuses have been paid to employees on the basis of the salary they were already receiving—the man earning the highest salary received the highest bonus, and so on down the line. Some companies have considered both salary and length of service with the company; or, sometimes, responsibility of the particular job.

Until recently, the profit-sharing payments at the Fairfield Tractor Company were made on the basis of salary. However, the management is inaugurating a new system and feels that, so far, it has been much more successful in attaining the desired effect.

The new system wipes out any pre-determination of what any given employee will receive in any given quarter. Salary paid to the individual in no way determines the amount of bonus he will receive.

Under this system, each employee is graded every quarter on his own individual qualifications, and the profit sharing payments are made to each employee on the basis of this grade.

Thus, no employee competes with any other employee, but competes only with himself. When a new quarter begins, he knows that he starts with a clean slate, and that it is within his own power to get the top payment for that quarter.

How does this grading system

S. R. McMaster, Jr., says: "We have certain standards by which to judge an employee and his work. Number one is efficiency; number two is effort; and number three is 'know-how.' In judging 'know-how,' we do not judge a new employee against one who has been in the business for many years—we judge the progress in 'know-how' more than anything else."

At the end of each quarter, the parts manager, the shop foreman, and McMaster each makes out a form for each employee with an individual grade for each of these points. McMaster then totals the grades and arrives at the employee's average grade.

Then the grades of all employees are totaled, and their proportional relationship to each other is established. The total amount of the profit-sharing payment is then broken down in proportion to this, and each employee receives his earned share.

In this way, the lowest paid man in the company can still receive the top payment. A conference between McMaster and Coleman usually decides the size of the bonus to go to supervisory personnel.

"Frankly," says McMaster, "the grades actually run very close together under the present system. We feel that the system has encouraged each employee to put forth his best effort, for each knows that he will receive the proper reward. Every day I see examples of employees using their initiative to go ahead and do jobs instead of standing around and thinking about it, as they might under some other plan.

"We continually have asked for suggestions from employees as to how we can better this and other working conditions. We have insisted that if they didn't think their payment was fair to come and tell us about it and we would show exactly how we arrived at the decision."

The plan also has the effect of making each employee more alert



S. S. Coleman, seated, president of the company, and McMaster illustrate an important point in employee relations—"talking it over"

to the opportunities for bringing more business to the company.

One emphasis in this profitsharing plan is that regular salaries, which here are paid out on a weekly basis, should be no lower than would be paid without the plan. Profit-sharing payments definitely should be an extra. Here the profit payments have run as high as forty to fifty dollars a month over and above salary, which has been substantial enough to create definite incentive.

LeRoy Tillage Tool Can Be Used Five Ways . .

NEW combination tool, recently announced by LeRoy Plow Company, LeRoy, N. Y., can be used five different ways to get the right tilth in any soil and for any crop, according to the announcement.

The spring-tooth harrow and packer discs can be used separately, or assembled three different ways. As shown, the tool breaks clods, then harrows, then packs and firms the soil.

Harrow teeth are adjustable and can be spaced as desired. The harrow frame is hinged, enabling harrow to adjust to uneven ground and permitting easy harrowing, according to the manufacturer. The harrow frame also is jointed at the corners, which is said to allow it to angle around turns and give faster, easier turning, with teeth engaged at all times. Packers stay in line and follow the harrow track, even on sharp turns, it is claimed.

The new implement is available in 8-foot and 12-foot widths. It can be disassembled in seconds into four portable sections, for easy storage in 4 x 8, or 4 x 12, feet of space, it was pointed out. For complete information, write LeRoy Plow Company, Inc., LeRoy, N. Y.

Myers Offers New HN Ejecto Water Systems

M YERS now offers a completely new line of water systems and pumps called the Myers "HN" Ejecto Line. Features of the line include simple convertibility from shallow well to deep well use, high effiicency of both centrifugal pump and ejector, simple mechanical construction which makes servicing and installation easier, standardized motor loading, and improved appearance.

Converting from shallow to deep well use, it is necessary to change only one threaded connection and add necessary well pipe and deep well ejector. No bolts, gaskets, special parts, or special tools are required. To obtain improved pressure system operation between the low limit of 20 lbs. and the high limit of 40 lbs., these new pumps are designed to deliver more water at 30 lbs. pressure. This means less running time between 20 and 40 lbs. and more capacity for sprinklers, automatic washers, water softeners and general use.

Ejector assemblies are all bronze and are available for single pipe or two pipe installations. The single pipe or packer type ejector is made for use in 2, 2½, 3, 4 inch wells. The two pipe or twin type ejector is made for use in 4-inch or larger wells.

All motors used on the "HN" line are of nationally known

makes made in accordance with Nema specifications. In addition to the standard water system units, this new line of ejector pumps is offered for belt drive, direct connected gasoline engine drive, motor drive centrifugal pump, and tank mounted cottage units.



To permit a minimum of stock to meet all well conditions, the pump unit and ejector assemblies are packaged separately. One basic pump unit and several ejector packages make it possible to meet any well condition within the range of the pump. At present, the line is available in four motor horsepower sizes, 1/3, 1/2, 3/4 and 1, and for well lifts to 120 feet.

Wissota Purchases Wheel Manufacturing Plant . .

THE WISSOTA Manufacturing Company of Minneapolis, manufacturers of tool and sickle grinders, announces the purchase of the abrasive wheel manufacturing concern in which it has had previous interest and which has, in the past, furnished the high grade vitrified wheels used on Wissota products.

George Ische, Wissota president, also announces that the entire manufacturing equipment and key personnel of the abrasive plant have been moved to Minneapolis. Facilities have been enlarged, and the abrasive wheel division has been operating recently at the Wissota plant.

The division manufactures wheels and sickle cones of all sizes for every type of tool and sickle grinder. The regular tool wheels are being made in sizes from 4" to 10" diameters in various thicknesses and grits, for hardware, automotive and implement trade. Made to highest specifications, Wissota abrasive

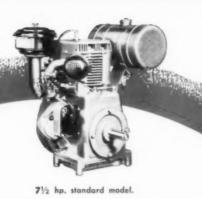




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wheels are fully vitrified, specially bonded, accurately dressed, balanced and tested, it was announced.

In addition to production of abrasive wheels for Wissota grinders, the division is marketing wheel assortments of nearly every type for replacement sales. Specially priced assortments of popular sizes and grits, complete with attractive display racks, are available now to dealers.

Dyna-Flash Portable Saw Announced by Milwaukee

new Dyna-Flash portable electric saw, equipped throughout with ball and roller bearings, has been introduced by the Milwaukee Electric Tool Corporation, Milwaukee 8, Wisconsin.

It packs a full 1 h.p. motor, despite its light weight, and is fully balanced for one-hand operation. Outstanding features of the sixinch saw include a depth gauge which adjusts from a "mere scratch" to a full 2-inch straight cut; a rip guide, which provides accurate control for long cuts; and a mitering adjustment, from zero to 45 degrees, with a bevel cut of 13s inches.

For maximum safety, the saw blade is on the right side, keeping the saw on the remaining piece of wood. A telescoping guard closes automatically as soon as the blade is taken off the work. With the aid of a sawdust blower, the full-view line sight keeps the cutting edge fully visible at all times. All gears are hardened, of helical design, for longer and smoother operation. Shafts are precision ground. Use of a standard, six-inch round hole blade makes replacement a simple matter.

According to the manufacturer, better control of design, operation and power is assured by motors which are made, tested and dynamic-balanced in the Milwaukee plant. The newest type of insulating wire, combined with an improved insulating varnish and baking method, makes these armatures stand seven times the strain over ordinary armatures, it was announced.

The helical drive gear transmits 99 percent of the motor power. Grease lubricants are used to eliminate oil leakage. A detachable shoe on the Dyna-Flash saw makes it easy and economical to replace if damaged.



New Farm-Craft Garden Tractors in Production

THE KENT Division of Melin Industries announces the production of a new line of Farm-Craft garden tractors. Incorporating engineering improvements, the new line is comprised of four different models, each of which is designed to perform a wide scope of chores to meet the varying requirements of garden tractor uses.

Among the improvements is the multi-purpose Unitool implement carriage, designed to accommodate more than 15 different interchangeable garden-working tools. A quick-set lever on the Unitool carriage is said to permit variable tool adjustment for in-the-ground, cutting, or tilling applications, as well as retraction of tool for free travel. The carriage eliminates the need for individual tool carriers and reduces the initial expenditure for an all-around gasoline engine-powered garden tractor, according to the manufacturer.

Model No. 60 is powered by a 6 h.p. air-cooled engine. Other models, Nos. 30, 45 and 75, are powered by a 3, 4½, and 7½ h.p. engine respectively. All tractors in the Farm-Craft line are equipped with an automotive-type transmission, and models No. 60 and 75 have a bevel gear differential. Induction-hardened gears provide a 66:1 speed reduction between engine and wheel shafts. The new Gyro-Spray oil flooding system is

said to assure positive lubrication of all working parts, regardless of speed of tractor operation.

Other Helin improvements claimed include a one-piece control arm for operator safety. greater traction and maneuverability, and adequate power for all intended applications. Speeds are variable from 12 to 12 miles per hour. The two larger models are equipped with a reverse gear. as well as the two forward speeds, to aid in tractor control and handling. Farm-Craft tractors weigh from 378 pounds for the smallest model in the line up to 675 pounds (with loaded tires) for the largest Draw-bar pull ranges from 200 to 337 pounds.

Farm-Craft tractors have been designed and constructed to perform such rural jobs as plowing, harrowing, discing, lawn mowing, sweeping and rolling. Seeding attachments also are available.

Self-Loading Sprayer Has Many Farm Uses

Powerful new insecticides and weed killers can now be used with improved security against skin contact and irritation, according to Vincent Santarelli, president of Champion Sprayer Company, Detroit, who has announced the introduction of a new wheelbarrow - type, self - loading compressed air sprayer.

The new Champion wheelbarrow sprayer features the AutoExclu

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Load trade-mark, indicative of the unit's ability to take on its own liquid, as well as air, and to simplify the handling of strong solutions, it was announced.



You load as you pump up pressure with the Auto-Load. According to Mr. Santarelli, this provides increased safety for the compressed air sprayer user, so that he can take advantage of the advances made in chemical spraying solutions. One brief pumping action of 50 or 60 strokes draws spraying solution from the 15gallon reserve tank on the wheelbarrow into the compression unit and at the same time pressurizes it. Thus, one pre-spraying operation is said to provide continuous spraying of 31/2 gallons at a nearly constant pressure of 75 pounds, without repumping.

In addition to its use as a row crop, vineyard and orchard sprayer, the Champion model is said to be useful for insect, weed and animal pest control, as well as liquid fertilizer distribution and poultry house sanitation.

Brodjet Boom Sprayer Released by Hanson .

THE HANSON Chemical & Equipment Co., Beloit, Wisconsin, has released its Brodjet boom sprayer for general crop spraying. Originally designed for highway work, the sprayer has

been placed throughout the United States and Canada for the past year as a crop sprayer.

The 4-foot boom will spray up to 34-foot swath. It eliminates all nozzle clogging and cumbersome long pipes. The company also reports that drift is minimized because of larger droplet size. Because of the compact design, a complete unit for 17-foot swaths retails for less than \$100. Larger swaths are slightly higher. The boom can also be bought separately to add to the user's present equipment, it was announced.

Deming Sump Pump Now Available in 1/3, 1/2 H.P.

The new Deming sump pump is available in two complete units: Unit No. 1 with ½ h.p. motor for capacities of 60, 48, 35 and 20 gallons per minute; and Unit No. 2 with ½ h.p. motor for capacities of 80, 72, 62, 50 and 35 gallons per minute, against respective total heads of 15, 20, 25, 30 and 35 feet.

Both units are available with lengths for sumps of 2, 3, 4 and 5 feet in depth. The complete units are ready to stand on the bottom of sump basin or in tile and are furnished with an 8-foot extension cord for connecting to light socket.

The centrifugal type pump has bronze impeller fastened to the stainless steel shaft by a key and brass acorn nut. A large bronze bearing supports the shaft. Motor is 115-230 volt AC, 60 cycle single phase. 1750 RPM.

Float switch has two pole snap action silver contacts. It is operated by two small non-breakable weights, which are chemically inert and non affected by common chemicals, soaps, etc. A stainless steel cable moves only ½-inch to work the switch. There are no guides to cause friction and gum

The strainer is perforated brass

of ample area and durable construction. When specified, a cast iron sump cover is furnished at extra cost. This cover is made in halves to fit in the bell of an 18 to 24 inch tile.

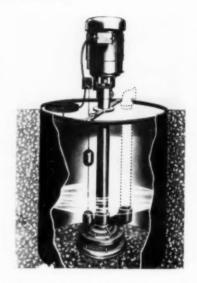


Figure 4607, manufactured by The Deming Company, Salem, Ohio, is said to bring sump pump performance within the lower price range of cellar drainers.

Brillion Combination Is Five Implements in One

Pive implements in one is the new Brillion Sure Stand grass seeding, fertilizing, pulverizing grain drill combination. It seeds legume and brome grass, fertilizes the soil, pulverizes and packs the soil, and drills in cereal grains—all at the same time. It pulverizes the soil as it fertilizes as it seeds, so there are no lumps or hard clods of ground to prevent the seed or grain from growing.

While doing these operations, it saves time, labor, seed and tractor use, as the farmer pulls only one implement over the field, not three. Made to "take" today's tractor speeds, it has rigid construction where needed, accurate where it operates as a seeder and grain drill, and adjustable where it must be changed for best results in the field, it is claimed.

The grass seeder boxes and the fertilizer boxes can be shut off, if desired. Drill box and legume box have separate shifter and indicator for maintaining accurate adjustment. Seed meter on both grain drill and legume box are made with cast-in washer on fluted feed



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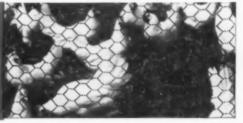
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side that turns with metering roll to eliminate seed leaking out of seed meter. Capacity of grain box is six bushels; fertilizer box, 300 lbs.; legume box, two bushels; and brome box, two bushels.

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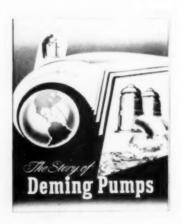


The weight depends on the combination desired, as it is available in four combinations: grass box, fertilizer box and legume box; grain box, fertilizer box, legume box and brome box; grain box, legume box and brome box; and grain box and legume box. Rolling width is 8 ft. 3 inches, weight 2775 pounds, with both grass boxes; 3000 pounds with fertilizer box and both grass boxes. Manufactured by the Brillion Iron Works, Inc., Brillion, Wisconsin.

Pictorial Booklet Tells Story of Deming Pumps

Pumps," a new 24-page, illustrated booklet published by The Deming Company of Salem, Ohio, is printed in three colors and covers a wide scope of subjects, including the main events in the 70 years' history of the firm.

Among the numerous photographs are present officers, directors, department heads and adver-



tising men, and the honor roll of 25-year people. Factory views in the 8½ x 11 booklet show some of the manufacturing departments, including the modern Deming foundry.

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More than 50 photographs include installation views of Deming pumps and various uses of Deming water systems, some from foreign countries, it was announced.

"The Story of Deming Pumps" is available at no cost from the manufacturer.

1950 Little Bear Tractor Announced by Bettendorf

THE BETTENDORF Company, Bettendorf, Iowa, has announced the 1950 Little Bear tractor. Built for heavier work, it is equipped with 2 h.p. unit with ample power for all garden attachments, according to the announcement.



New refinements announced for the 1950 model are: two forward speeds with full throttle control for all ranges: 12" handle bar adjustment from 31" to 43" ground to grips; designed weight for greater traction; no grease gun needed; solid mounted engine; heavy duty welded steel chassis; simple dependable front and reach hitch; easy pull back and maneuverability; and adjustable wheels for between-row or straddle-crop operation. Precision built for quality, it is priced to sell competitively

Features of the new Little Bear include: six precision ball bearings for pinions; gears and axle; 2-piece 36" cast iron housing; four extra heavy duty machine cut gears; 80 to 1 gear reduction in housing; gears and bearings sealed in oil; three automotive type oil seals; no chains or sprockets, and no jack shafts.

Attachments include: 30" sickle bar, 24" power lawn mower, 7"



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Gore to Manage New Idea's Dallas Branch

NEW branch sales office to A serve all of Texas, Southern Oklahoma, and Southwestern Akkansas has been opened by the New Idea Farm Equipment Company in Dallas.

With D. C. Gore, well-known in the farm equipment business, as

manager, the new branch will have headquarters at 5602-96 Dyer Street.

This is the sixteenth branch office in the nationwide sales organization of the New Idea Division, Avco Manufacturing Corporation, according to H. H. Boettger, general sales manager. The opening of the Dallas Branch is in line with New Idea's expanded sales activities throughout the entire country. Four other new branches have been opened in recent months in the South, Southwest and North Central areas.



D. C. Gore

A five million dollar expansion program of the company's headquarters plant in Coldwater, Ohio, is nearing completion. This is said to have resulted in tripling the production of New Idea's specialized line of quality farm implements, including manure spreaders, corn pickers, mowers, side delivery rakes, hay loaders, wagons, portable elevators and transplanters.

M-M Announces New Two-Wheel Tractor Spreader .

NEW two-wheel tractor A spreader, featuring 15 percent more capacity, a new patented jack or hitch stand, and increased strength throughout to stand up to rugged tractor operation, has been announced by the Minneapolis-Moline Company. The new spreader, which will be known as the LS300, will replace the former 4-wheel LS200 unit.

The new LS300, which made its first appearance in January, retains many of the features of the LS200, in addition to many new improvements. Its capacity is rated at 70 to 75 bushels, and its large feed ratchet regulates the feeding at approximately 3, 6, 9. 12, 15 loads per acre.

A special patented jack and hitch stand is one of its new features. The jack, which is built into the spreader near the tractor hitch, offers easy and quick adjustment to the height of the tractor draw bar when hitching or unhitching, and also serves as a stand when the spreader is not

A new 3-lobe feed cam with extra large cam rollers was designed to furnish smoother feeding action. All beater and distributor shafts are made of heavy-



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Disc-type wheels with 7.50 x 18 traction tread tires and a 2-inch rear axle with new heavy-duty roller bearings are designed to give added overall strength to the new spreader.

New Idea Announces Personnel Promotions

PROMOTIONS of four staff men have been announced by William M. Werner, vice president and general manager of the New Idea Division, Avco Manufacturing Corp. The four, all of whom have "come up through the ranks," have been with the company for a total of 90 years.

C. J. Steinbrunner, who joined New Idea in 1918, has been promoted from field service manager to product manager in charge of hay handling equipment. Harvey Schulze, who started with New Idea in 1927, has been named to succeed Mr. Steinbrunner as field service manager.

R. B. McClarnon, with New Idea since 1931, has been named product manager in charge of corn harvesting equipment.

O. J. Stucke, with New Idea since 1930, has been promoted to general sales supervisor of the New Idea Farm Equipment Company and assistant office manager of the company's headquarters offices in Coldwater, Ohio,

H. R. Millet, former assistant to the traffic manager, has taken charge of the company's order and billing department, succeeding Mr. Stucke.

Mr. Steinbrunner began with New Idea as a clerk in the repair department. He then served successively as foreman of the repair department and field service manager before taking over his new position. He is a member of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers and a committeeman on the hay harvesting and storage committee of the same organization. He is a member of the research committee of Farm Equipment Institute and also of the New Idea engineering committee.

Mr. McClarnon first served with New Idea as a repairman in the Indianapolis branch of the company. In 1937 he took charge of the repair department at the Jackson, Michigan, branch, and in 1945 was promoted to manager of the branch, which position he held at the time of his new appointment. R. M. Daw, former New Idea sales representative in the Minneapolis branch, has been elevated to the Jackson branch managership.

Mr. Schulze began in the assembly department of the Coldwater plant. In 1929 he joined the service department to work in the field servicing New Idea two-row corn-pickers. He was promoted to assistant field service manager in 1938, from which he advanced to his new position. The assistant service manager's position has been filled by Paul Bettinger, a former New Idea service man.

Mr. Stucke's first duties were the handling of stocks of machines and repair parts stored at New Idea branches and transfers. He became head of the order and billing department in the main office at Coldwater in 1936.

Steady-Flow Water System Requires No Storage Tank

A NEW water system especially manufactured for resorts, cottages, suburban homes, and farms is the Hypromatic Steady-Flow water system, unique in that it does not require a storage tank, but pumps directly from well, cistern, spring or lake, according to the manufacturers.



The Steady-Flow system consists of a ½ h.p. heavy duty motor, rotary roller pump, mounted on a baked enamel aluminum base and pressure control dome. A built-in relief valve assures a steady flow of water without continuous starting and stopping, it is claimed. The pump delivers up to five gallons of water a minute. Pressure ranges from 20 to 40 pounds.

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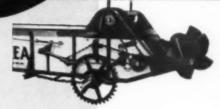
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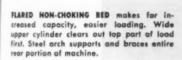
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According to the manufacturer, Hypro Engineering Co., of Minneapolis, the Steady-Flow system delivers a steady flow of water from wells up to 22 feet deep.

Lime, Fertilizer Spreader Added to Dearborn Line

A NEW lime and fertilizer spreader has been added to the Dearborn line of farm equipment, according to M. D. Hill, general sales manager, Dearborn Motors, Detroit, national marketing organization for the Ford Tractor and Dearborn Farm Equipment.

The hopper body of the new spreader is eight feet wide and has a capacity of about 1,000 to 1,250 pounds, depending on the condition of the fertilizer being spread. The bottom, which is form fitted to the agitator for uniform, clog-free dispersal of fertilizer, is



perforated by 16 flow holes.

The agitator is the split, disc type, designed to pulverize the fertilizer thoroughly and to force the mixture through the dispersal holes.

A lever, accessible to the tractor operator, permits regulation of the flow of fertilizer from the Ford Tractor seat. This flow can be regulated at any amount from 100 to 5,000 pounds per acre, depending on the type of material used.

This tool takes care of all lime and commercial fertilizer spreading jobs. It is of quality construction and will give excellent performance, it is claimed.

The spreader can be quickly and easily attached to the drawbar of any tractor through the spreader's heavy duty tractor hitch. A tow plate made of reinforced steel is located at the rear of the hopper for pulling harrows or other equipment.



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Stationary Power Line Shields for Safer Farming

W ouldn't it be a great day if power line accidents were wholly a thing of the past?

Well, it looks as though that day may be approaching. Manufacturers of farm equipment are now producing power line safety shields that cannot be removed when the shaft is in operation. These shields may be opened for servicing and inspection of the power shaft but they cannot be removed unless the operator goes to work on them with a blow torch or a cold chisel—and nobody expects that to happen.

For many years the manufacturers of farm machinery have been providing shields for the power line, but many farmers have failed to keep the standard shield in place despite the fact that rapidly revolving power take-off shafts are an ever present accident hazard. Too frequently shields have been left in the implement shed or in fence corners.

Most of the non-removable shields are built with a loop around the pipe connection between the universal joints, or otherwise permanently attached so they cannot be removed.

The farm equipment industry has always sought to build safety into its products, but this latest development is another step in the direction of making farm equipment more foolproof. If the power drive is in use, the shield stays with it.

It was more than ten years ago that the Farm Equipment Institute, which represents the various farm equipment companies, appointed its Farm Safety Committee. It was recognized that the industry had performed a real job in the direction of safeguarding its machines, but it also seemed necessary to place greater emphasis upon care and caution to be used by farmers in the operation of their equipment.

When power for the farm was furnished by horses, manufacturers had much less urgent need for cooperative effort concerning the safety of their machines, but with the advent of the tractor, when one make of tractor might pull another make of implement, the matter of safety necessarily became a cooperative effort.

One of the first steps taken by this Safety Committee was to recommend the use of uniform "safe-

ty first" signs at specific points on all power-driven machines. The various manufacturers readily cooperated in adopting these safety warnings, and also included a safety first statement (provided by the National Safety Council) in their instruction books covering such equipment. The second step toward reducing the hazard of farm accidents from machinery was to bring design engineers into the safety picture. This was done through the appointment of an Advisory Committee of engineers representing companies in various divisions of the farm equipment industry.

One of the principles agreed upon by this Committee was not to commercialize safety features for the advantage of any one manufacturer. All safety ideas developed are the mutual property of the entire industry.

Prior to 1938, there was no provision for any fastening between the shield over the power take-off shaft on the tractor and the power line shield furnished with the implement.

So the Advisory Committee of the Farm Equipment Institute, at that time began the development of a uniform method of shielding

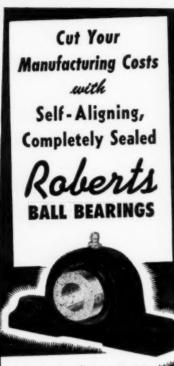
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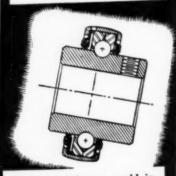
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Intended Protection

This safety project was intended to provide shielding of the universal joint and power shafts transmitting power to the implements. It was agreed that the tractor manufacturer would be responsible for covering the power take-off shaft of the tractor and the implement manufacturer would protect the power line on the implements up to the tractor shaft.

And so the connection between the tractor shield and implement shield had to be established in order to:

1. Make it possible to attach any power-driven implement to any tractor with the assurance that the tractor shield and that of the connecting implement would couple together.

2. Make sure that the guards and shields would be stiff enough to withstand a person's weight and thoroughly protect the moving parts.

Safety Enhanced

These objectives were accomplished and, since 1942, uniform connections for the power line and shield have been provided by practically all manufacturers. This enabled the purchaser of any make or model power take-off operated implement to connect up the power line and safety shield with any model tractor. The non-removable shield is a further step toward the reduction of accidents due to contact with the power line.

In their safety program, the farm equipment manufacturers have worked very closely with the National Safety Council, and the nonremovable power line shield is another example of this cooperative effort.

As in the case of the removable shield, the new non-removable types were developed jointly by engineers from the different companies, and the use of the shield is open to all manufacturers. Some of the companies are supplying the new shield with all their powerdriven implements, while others are just getting into production.

M-H Promotes Detling To Memphis Branch Post

V AN N. DETLING has been appointed assistant branch manager at the new Memphis Branch of the Massey-Harris Company, according to an announcement by L. M. Sweeney, vice president of sales for the company. Branch manager of the new Memphis Branch is L. R. Mc-Millen.



V. N. Detling

Prior to this, Mr. Detling has held the positions of division manager and district manager at the company's Columbia branch. Before the war, he worked for several other implement companies, and had also been engaged in the implement business with a dealer-ship in Ohio.

New Shenandoah Waterer Accommodates 250 Chicks

SHENANDOAH Equipment Company, Harrisonburg, Virginia, has introduced a new, round, automatic waterer capable of accommodating up to 250 broilers. It is adjustable for use with baby





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The new double action valve used with the waterer is made of high quality brass, and is claimed to be engineered for long life and dependable service. In addition, the unit may be used with gravity or pressure water systems. The retail price, complete, is \$5.25.

North & Judd Announces Sales Personnel Changes

T A regional sales meeting held in Chicago recently, T. C. DeLoach, general sales manager, announced two important appointments in administration and field sales of the North & Judd Manufacturing Co., makers of Anchor Branch saddlery, harness, riding and luggage hardware, and other items.

Vernon H. Brierley, for 15 years a divisional sales manager, has been advanced to merchandise manager. Mr. Brierley, who has been with North & Judd for 25 years, will continue to make his headquarters at the general offices in New Britain, Conn.

Harry J. Peterson, Jr., who has been resident manager of the St.



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Louis office since the death of his father in 1947, has been appointed central district sales manager. Mr Peterson, who has been with North & Judd for 28 years, will supervise the activities of the Chicago, St. Louis and Dallas offices. He will make his head-quarters at the St. Louis office at 411 North 10th St., St. Louis, Mo.

Wholesalers to Meet with Factory Representatives

PAIGE NEWTON, president of Mitchell, Lewis & Staver, Portland, Oregon, and also president of Farm Equipment Association, announces that the association members will join with representatives of all interested factories in a day of interviews on Friday, April 14, in the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago. This will follow the annual meeting of the association on the preceding day.

The latest of these "factory days" held by the wholesalers last September 30, resulted in the opening of a large number of new accounts between manufacturers and wholesale distributors.

Further details may be obtained by manufacturers by writing the secretary of the wholesalers association, C. E. Woodward, 1011 Lumber Exchange, Minneapolis, Minnesota.



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New Catalog Announces Dobbins 1950 Line . .

THE 1950 line of hand sprayers and dusters, and garden and estate power sprayers, is described in the illustrated Catalog No. 48N recently issued by Dobbins Manufacturing Company of Elkhart, Indiana.

Units described include all-purpose air hand sprayers; garden and crop dusters; rubber-tired and skid-type power sprayers; booms for garden and estate work; bucket and barrel pumps; wheelbarrow sprayers; knapsack sprayers; flame sprayers; chemical sprayers; atomizers; the versatile Dobbins Spray wand; and a full line of accessories.

The complete line described in the Dobbins catalog includes models and capacities adaptable to every type of spraying and dusting; vegetable and flower gardens, fruit orchards, vineyards, greenhouses, lawns, shrubs, livestock and buildings.

The 1950 models range in capacity from four-ounce household atomizers to 50-gallon garden and estate power sprayers. All are designed for ease in handling and for

efficient spraying of varied solution, the manufacturer announced.

The 24-page catalog is free on request to Dobbins Manufacturing Company.

New Idea Picker-Husker Places First in Contest

A NEW IDEA picker-husker amassed a net load of 3,820 pounds in 20 minutes, to place first among corn picker-huskers in a national contest near Marion, Iowa, in November.

The mechanical corn picking contest, first of its kind ever held, was sponsored by radio station WMY, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and attracted 17 entrants and 15,000 spectators.

The New Idea one-row, pulltype picker was operated by its owner, K. O. Knudsen, of Marion. It was the only picker which did not incur deductions as a result of husks in the load, and its 78pound deduction for gleanings was the lowest in the field. The next lowest gleanings penalty was 202 pounds.

H. H. Boettger, general sales

manager, and C. J. Steinbrunner, product manager, represented the New Idea Farm Equipment Company at the event.

CONVENTION DATES

Arkansas Hardware & Farm Equipment Association, annual convention and show, Feb. 13-15, 1950. Headquarters, Hotel LaFayette, Little Rock, Ark. Secretary, A. W. Porter, LaFayette Hotel, Little Rock, Ark.

Farm Equipment Dealers' Association of the Carolines, annual convention, Feb. 6-8, 1950. Headquarters, Hotel Charlotte, Charlotte, N. C. Secretary, A. A. Chappell, 210 National Bank Bldg., Wilson, North Carolina.

Oklahoma Hardware & Implement Association, annual convention and trade show, Feb. 7-9, 1950. Headquarters, Municipal Auditorium, Oklahoma City, Okla. Secretary, R. K. Thomas, 711 Wright Bldg., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Tri-State Hardware & Implement Association, Herring Hotel, Amarillo, Texas, Feb. 11-14.

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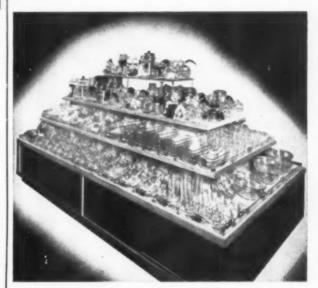
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A LETTER TO "OUR CONGRESSMAN"

TODAY'S issue of our local newspaper (Florida) contains a news article about the current projects which our senior senator is trying to promote. These projects are: (1) Establishment of an international mart in Miami for exhibition of products of this country and of Central and South America. (2) A bill to appropriate \$2,000,000 for a Spanish-American War memorial in Tampa. (3) Raising the support price for naval stores. (4) An appropriation of \$3,250,000 to start work on an inter-costal canal. (5) Construction of a cross-state barge canal.

Now all of these, no doubt, are worthy projects and might well be given serious consideration—if we could afford them. But at a time when our national government is head-over-heels in debt and is currently piling up a five-billion-a-year deficit, why should anyone seriously urge such a project as, for instance, a \$2,000,000 Spanish-American War memorial?

The explanation is simple: This is election year for the senator.

And, unfortunately, this is not an isolated example. It seems characteristic of many if not most of our national legislators that their chief interest in life is being re-elected to office, and their most diligent efforts are devoted to wangling Federal funds for their respective districts.

Of course, that's one big reason for our constantly growing tax burden. The result is that our Federal government is taking more and more money from us each year, so that it can make larger and larger appropriations for local projects which we don't really need or can't afford.

In these perilous times we need legislators who represent the U. S. A., and not merely the local interests of one district or state.

Now in the same issue of our local newspaper is a news article stating that our congressman would appreciate opinions from his constituents as to what he should do for his district. In our response to this invitation, we took the liberty of saying, in part:

It is my frank opinion that in these times our congressman could well afford to more or less forget his own district and concentrate his attention on those all-important problems of keeping the government from intruding further into fields of private business enterprise, and from continuing its present headlong course into national bankruptcy.

Will that letter to Congressman Herlong have any effect? Not unless many other folks write similar letters to their representatives in Washington. Not unless we become more interested in maintaining a sound, stable government than in promoting local projects with Federal funds. Not unless we get out of the habit of expecting a paternalistic government to do for us the things we can and should do for ourselves.

Trade Topics

TO HELP YOU SELL MORE



...we're telling DIXIE FARMERS about DIXISTEEL FENCE!

Your best customers-Dixie Farmers-are seeing a lot about DIXISTEEL Fence these days.

Leading Southern farm publications are carrying big, selling ads about DIXISTEEL Fence on Dixie Farms. Actual, on-the-farm photographs and stories are being featured in these advertisements.

The main reason for all of this advertising is to help you sell more DIXISTEEL Fence. So stock up and feature the fence that is Southern made for Southern needs.

See your wholesaler or write today for full information about the DIXISTEEL Fence line.

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MAKERS OF DIXISTEEL SINCE 1901 ATLANTA, GEORGIA

At Wimsatt-Jarden, Inc., a customer consults a paint salesman on a bright finish for her recreation room. Spring campaign to boost paint sales is aimed at the home-owner and uses such media as direct mail advertising, radio, handbills, and newspapers



Advertising and Canvassing Boost



A WELL-INTEGRATED sales and promotional campaign has brought Wimsatt-Jarden, Inc., hardware dealer in Washington, D. C., a yearly volume of \$150,000 in paints alone. This is 60 percent of the store's total annual volume.

James McSherry Wimsatt, the president of this four-year-old corporation, who had had no previous experience in paints or general hardware, recognized that there was more construction under way in Washington and its sub-

urbs than in any other city of its size in the nation. He concluded that by using all the available promotion material, a satisfactory share of the big yearly market in paints would fall to his store.

The growth in population of greater Washington necessitated the construction of new hospitals, office buildings, apartment houses, churches, hotels, private schools and institutions. Knowing that a large proportion of the store's paint sales would come from new construction, Wimsatt went after the contractors and architects.

"I also heard so many apartment occupants complaining about the condition of their apartments and the negligence of landlords that I knew there would be a good market in apartment house main-

As the result of outside selling and a well-planned advertising program, this store's paint sales now account for 60 percent of annual volume

tenance," Wimsatt added.

So he sent two salesmen into the field to contact building contractors, architects and maintenance men, and he launched a spring paint campaign to reach homeowners.

In promoting paints through personal contact, there is emphasis on quality for the price paid.

"You get what you pay for in paints," asserted Wimsatt who, during the paint campaigns, goes

into the field occasionally and helps to sell. "Buying paint is like buying an automobile. For a certain price you get a certain quality. For a good flatwall finish you pay a certain price—for a better quality, a higher price."

Personal contact was also used in reaching an-



Wimsatt, left, goes over a price list with a contractor who is planning to re-paint an apartment house. Because of the large building program underway in Washington, contractors are a source of volume sales

other good paint market: that of bakeries, dairies, etc., where a top-quality white enamel, having chemical properties that would not be affected by steam and heat, was needed.

The spring paint campaign aimed at the home-owner makes use of direct mail, handbills, newspapers and radio.

From a mailing list arranged by house number and street, 10,000 penny postcards are put through an addressograph machine telling home-owners what deck enamel will do for their porches and garden furniture. (In the fall a corresponding paint campaign is run, this time pointing out what good wall finishes will do for interiors. Customers are reminded also that it is a good time to paint the recreation room.)

This year, the first spring postcard will advertise the store's existence in the neighborhood, since Wimsatt has observed that his present location on a muchtraveled thoroughfare into suburban Washington brings more business from the suburban area than from the immediate neighborhood. So the first postcard will put the Wimsatt-Jarden hardware store in the neighborhood homeowner's eye.

A second and third postcard will advertise spring planting, since people will go outdoors to spread fertilizer when it is still cool, but will wait for warmer weather to paint,

A fourth and fifth card will call for spring painting of porches and furniture. Outside white paint and fence paint will be emphasized.

Wimsatt has found direct mail and handbills to be the most effective promotion. A simple printed handbill on good letterpaper, illustrated with three or four pictures and having no mention of prices is invaluable in letting home-owners know it's time to paint. "When I get a 'phone call or have people walk in with my handbill or postcard and ask for paint, I could ask for no better proof of the effectiveness of this kind of promotion," said Wimsatt.

The distribution of handbills, a recurring problem for many dealers, has been solved adequately by Wimsatt who employs a number of reliable school boys who do the work after school hours and on Saturdays.

Newspapers are used as still another means of advertising. Ads are placed twice a week in daily papers. This year's newspaper campaign starts in February and will continue until Easter week, a period when Wimsatt feels that the average household has other plans. After this vacation period, the ads will be continued.

In addition, Wimsatt has oneminute spot announcements sandwiched into the morning musical programs on the radio. These promote spring painting and gardening.

To meet the response which these various forms of promotion bring—it is necessary to maintain a well-rounded inventory of paint amounting to about \$50,000.

Watch Repair Shop Helps Build Store Traffic . . .

PIFTEEN years ago, an experiment in building store traffic, a watch repair shop was erected in the rear of the Wymore Hardware Store in Kansas City, Missouri. Today the department is (Continued on page 64)



The watch repair shop, above, is located in the rear of Wymore's Hardware Store and serves to pull traffic through the store

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V. Strickland. left, points out features of a rod and reel to a tackle customer. Direct mail advertising in the form of postal cards are the leading promoter of tackle syles. Bottom: Neilson Martin sketches a preliminary design for the mailing pieces which usually contain also the limits on the popular game fish in the

Direct Mail Ads

By Stuart Covington

N EFFECTIVE direct mail cam-A paign, backed up by wellplanned store salesmanship, has enabled the MS&C Hardware Company of Aliceville, Alabama, to build a constantly increasing fishing tackle volume in a town of less than 3.000 population.

In 1949, MS&C's hard-hitting

postal promotions helped tackle specialists M. H. Strickland and W. H. Somerville to close five percent more sales of fishing gear than in the previous twelve months.

The keystone of Store Manager W. W. Ramsey's direct mail program in this small-town store is a yearly distribution of approximately 1,000 mimeographed, illustrated, postal cards, which are mailed to all local and RFD box holders. Mailed every spring, the cards are created and illustrated by store salesman Neilson Martin, who majored in art during his college years. Martin handles all

MS&C advertising, running off the cards on the store's mimeographing machine.

Although Ramsey's postal cards are his leading promoter of tackle sales, they contain a minimum of ad copy. Most of the space on the cards is devoted to the illustration and listing of limits on the

most popular game fish in the Aliceville area. Only at the bottom of the cards does he use a straight "commercial," and this is in the form of a brief description of fishermen's supplies available at the store.

CUSTOMERS

These postal cards are converted into a reference card which

> may be referred to constantly throughout the fishing season. And one card probably will produce as many sales as three to five mailings of manufacturers' imprints, or as many newspaper advertisements, Ramsey said.

The postals also serve as a springboard for other promotional material. which consists of imprinted envelope stuffers mailed three times yearly —in the spring, summer and early fall. Between 400 and 500 stuffers constitute each mailing. Two or three varieties are sometimes allotted to each envelope, depending upon (Continued on page 64)



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BILLBOARD

By Bob Latimer

THROUGH the medium of bill-board advertisements, the Central Hardware Company of St. Louis, Missouri, is carrying out a promotional campaign with a real sales punch.

To the owners of this company, there's no better way to bring city-wide attention to the hardware store—provided the hardware retailer's advertisements are sufficiently individual and attention-compelling to fix themselves

firmly in the home-owners mind and contain a constant brand of humor that readers soon come to associate with the company name.

This hardware firm has been a steady user of billboard advertising for a number of years—during which time 50 billboards, located at strategically chosen spots around St. Louis, have shown an entirely new theme, new posters, etc., every month.

As a result, Central Hardware has been able to make permanent its slogan "Tinker Time" each spring, when billboards swing into concerted promotion of tools, paints, building materials and home repair merchandise. In addition the company has been able to attract considerable attention through the humor in the ads.

Since 1934, with the exception of a few war months when paper or other materials was unavailable, billboards have been changed regularly every 30 days, and with such continuous freshness and eye-appealing humor that few visitors to St. Louis fail to note them.

All of the billboard locations are chosen on the basis of the amount of traffic passing them, with the result that most of the billboards are exposed to from 30,000 to 50,000 people per day through the year.

"We operate on the theory that there are two types of advertising needed in the retail hardware field," George Kuenan, advertising manager for the company, pointed out. "First, newspaper ads to give prices and details on seasonal merchandise; and, second, advertising which spreads the name of the firm uniformly over the city, and promises the homeowner that he can find whatever he needs.

"The billboard advertising program carries out the second part of this program effectively, and while it is difficult to determine exactly what percentage of sales volume is traceable to billboards, the simplest way to sum up their value is that our volume would fall off sharply if the billboard campaign were discontinued."

As shown in the accompanying illustrations, all Central Hardware advertising features two instantly recognizable factors. First is briefness—in the form of short, easily-remembered slogans, which impress themselves forcibly on the



Typical billboard advertising used by Central Hardware Co. Seasonal in theme, signs are usually of a humorous or thought - provoking theme. Note how hardware items form letters in signs





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ADVERTISING

A continuing series of humorous billboard advertisements wins new trade for this store



casual observer's mind. Thus, bill-boards are never tied down to a specific department, or types of merchandise, but rather to a season—"whatever is best for the time of year," as a Central Hardware executive expressed it. "We're selling the name of the organization, rather than specific merchandise," it was stressed. "While at particular times of the year, actual items may be mentioned, they are emphasized in picture form, rather than in words."

The second feature, always prevalent, is humor. Central Hardware thinks that nothing is quite so important to prestige-building as amusing the reader of its bill-board signs, and, therefore, a constant search is in effect at all times for brief, easily-put-across bits of good humor which the average home-owner will long remember.

Probably the best expression of the "sense of humor" advertising is the use of tool silhouettes to form the letters on typical Central Hardware signs. Playing up the slogan "Tinker-Time" the year around, the billboard ads spell out the word "Tinker" with duckhunting suit, a shotgun, three fishing rods to form the letter "N", saw, hammer and drill for a

"K", jigsaw on stand for an "R", etc. Frequently, toilet seats are used to form an "O", fire extinguishers for T's and K's, etc. As far as possible, during Tinker Time, which extends from the 15th of March through the summer months, every letter appearing on every sign is composed of a tool silhouette.

The theory in thus converting tools into "lettering" is simply explained — merely reading the words "Tinker" or "Tinker-Time" generally suffices to remind a home-owner of some needed tool.

Among the more recent humor campaigns, which have won a lot of interest for the St. Louis hardware organization, is a series based on the question "What does he need from Central Hardware,"

or "What does she need from Central Hardware?" Such humorous themes as a glamorous girl, bathing in a galvanized metal tub. to suggest bath tubs and plumbing fittings, or a dog shivering on a snow-covered slope, while a blurb contains his dream of a warm, comfortable dog-house, etc., are typical. One of the most laughpacked signs showed a housewife, standing precariously on a pile of books perched on a chair, driving a nail into the wall with the heel of her shoe. The question below: "What does she need from Central Hardware?" naturally suggests stepladder, hammer, tools, etc.

Another smile-inspiring sign showed a home-owner attempting to water his lawn, with water (Continued on page 68)

Exposed to from 30,000 to 50,000 people laily, the signs are changed regularly every 30 days. Their appeals to homeowners are evident in the store's growing volume in all lines







Six Rules for Merchandising BUILDERS HARDWARE

By David Markstein

Sales of builders hardware to both small and large contractors—those buyers who purchase in quantity—can be a source of substantial volume, if the hardware retailer follows six important rules of merchandising.

That's the advice of Edward Armstrong, co-owner of the St. Bernard Hardware Company, New Orleans, La., who does a booming yolume on builders hardware.

Armstrong stresses the importance of: a complete line, a proper price scale, easy budget terms, forceful displays, and quality, brand-name merchandise.

"These rules may sound elementary, a kind of A-B-C of hardware retailing. And indeed they are," he said, "but only by carrying out all six of these rules is it possible to realize maximum sales to contractors.

"It is important to remember that the smaller contractor is often pinched for funds and needs credit," Armstrong explained. "Of course, few hardware dealers have such unlimited capital that they can extend large amounts of credit for those larger purchases

themselves. But we have an arrangement that makes financing easy.

"Our store is located next door to a finance company that specializes in commercial loans. Of course, every dealer doesn't have this set-up, but most hardware stores are located in shopping areas in which there is usually at least a branch office of a financing company.

"This situation works to our advantage. Contractors frequently finance their purchases of power tools, as well as builders hardware."

To make steady customers of contractors, it is necessary for the hardware man to have a complete understanding of their particular problems. "The really big operators," said Armstrong, "buy their equipment often in thousand dollar quantities from wholesalers. There is not a great deal that they will buy from the retail hardware dealer. So the market for builders hardware and tools, for the most part, is with the smaller contractors. And these smaller contractors have their particular problems-they often need tools which they cannot afford to buy. The hardware dealer must be pre-

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The St. Bernard Hardware store presents an attractive, modern storefront with large window display areas. Emphasis is placed upon the display of builders hardware, a line which accounts for a sizable volume

ST. BERNARD HARDWARE & SUPPLY CO.



Right, Louis Wagner helps a customer select a tool from the wide selection carried in the builders hardware section, Sauer's Hardware Store in Memphis. Below, a housewife takes advantage of the floor sander rental service offered

PREWAR SERVICE Brings Back SUBURBAN TRADE

Delivery, credit and other personalized services may be necessary if the suburban dealer is to hold that neighborhood trade



Suburban dealers no longer can rely upon their convenient location alone to hold the neighborhood trade. In the opinion of Louis Wagner, who operates two suburban stores in Memphis, Tenn.—Sauer's Hardware store and Louis Wagner's Hardware store—there must be an all-out return to such "personalized" services as delivery and credit, along with a willing attention to those small orders that some larger downtown stores might shrug off as not worth the effort.

His problem of maintaining his neighborhood trade is no different from that facing many other dealers. But the manner in which he is tackling that problem may be quite different.

Though he likes trade from outside his neighborhood as much as the next dealer, Wagner doesn't believe that lamenting for "the good old days" is an effective way to adjust a hardware store to the changing times.

"During the war, and immediately after the war, when many items were hard to get, I did business all over the city and in others stores' backyards, and I assume they sold in my backyard, too," Wagner explains. "I even did a good out-of-town business on some lines, and frequently sold scarce items in adjoining states when I advertised them in the newspapers. I had several good supplier contacts, and customers beat a path to my store. I didn't have to worry about deliveries. It was mostly cash-and-carry.

"And then the buyers' market set in. Sales dropped off. Like all the others, I began analyzing the situation: Where was my business going? How could I be certain of keeping my old customers and at the same time win some new ones?

"It wasn't too difficult to find the answer to the first question. During gas rationing, people in the outlying sections of the city couldn't make the long trip downtown simply to buy one or two articles. If the neighborhood hardware store had it, they saved both gas and time by buying there. Now, with plenty of gas and the car market easing, people are shopping where they please and when they please. Main Street is getting a lot of the business once

"Also contributing to the postwar slump in sales, I determined, was the cost of living. My store on Summer Avenue is in a large area of small homes. On days of bad weather, when the working man had to stay home because he couldn't work outdoors, he visited the hardware store, bought a few items and did some painting or repair work around his house. Now, many of them don't seem to have that little extra money that it takes to make such repairs. The corner grocery store has top priority.

"What could I do about it? As

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Musical record department at Louis Wagner's Thomas Street store

far as the cost of living was affecting my sales, there was nothing I could do. As for business going elsewhere, I decided there definitely was something I could do about it. I resolved to give two things free to every person who entered my stores, and thereby be assured of my share of the hardware business in Memphis.

"Those two things that I am giving free don't cost me a cent. They are things most vital to success-yet many stores stopped offering them during the war. They are courtesy and service.

"There is no justification for grumpy service—there never was a time when it was justified. I decided to put additional emphasis on my service. I began stressing deliveries more. There was a time when I wouldn't consider delivering a small, low-cost item, such as a quart of turpentine. I now deliver such items. It's a fast service, something the customer can't get on Main Street.

"I am trying to be more helpful in filling orders. If I don't have the item wanted by the customer, I call other stores and try to find it for him, without profit to myself. I may not get that particular sale, but chances are I will get the next one, because such service brings the customer back."

Wagner's big selling items continue to be builders hardware, small electrical and plumbing items and paint.

One business stimulant that he has found and is emphasizing to the fullest is the floor sanding machine. The ten units he owns

are rented to customers and stay busy most of the time.

"I publicize the economy fea-Wagner explains. "The floors in most homes can be sanded and refinished for around \$30 to \$35 with a rented sanding machine, where a professional job might run as high as \$125.

"Although the customer naturally can't do as nice a job as a professional, he gets a certain amount of satisfaction in doing the job himself and will take pride in it.'

A former newspaper advertising man with 25 years of experience. Wagner knows the value of shrewd and timely advertising.

"I've never figured advertising as an expense," he explains, "although I know some hardware men do. When I've got something that I really want to push for a quick turnover, I advertise it. And I find that I get better results from classified advertising than

display.

"While the adage, 'it pays to advertise', is still true, advertising doesn't really 'sell' anything if that item advertised is something the public isn't looking for, and the store is simply trying to unload it on the public. I believe in advertising scarce items, rather than dead ones. I prefer a fair profit and a fast turnover in stock."

Wagner believes most hardware dealers wailing about business conditions would find, upon checking their pre-war figures. that they are doing all right.

"Neighborhod business used to

be good business-it's still good business as far as I am concerned," he declares.

Builders Hardware

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pared to lend such tools for a short period. It will be necessary often to place special orders for merchandise that is needed. We do not always make a profit on individual deals such as this. But it is the kind of service that builds trade and keeps the contractors coming back.

"These same contractors demand the best merchandise too. Inferior merchandise will sell in a seller's market, but contractors know their supplies and will not accept inferior products. They demand nationally-advertised products with known records of quality performance.

Reasonable prices are another "must" in dealing with con-tractors. "These are men who know. They are experienced in the matter of purchasing, and they want the right price, as well as

the right merchandise.

"Here at the St. Bernard Hardware Company, we keep our mark-ups low in builders hardware and tools, and the volume brings us high profits." A fifth road to the contractor's pocket book, according to Edward Armstrong, is a neat, orderly store. with carefully arranged displays.

"I do not agree with the selling philosophy of many hardware dealers who clutter up counters, shelves, floor space, and even the sidewalk in front, with such a welter of displays that the poor customer can't see what he wants without getting an employee to locate it for him.

"Letting the customer shop from open displays is a proven selling tool in this business. It works well in selling to consumers who like to see the full selection before they buy. And it works doubly well for selling to the contractors and builders-buyers who have little time to waste. Making it easy for them to see everything you sell helps to make the sales figures higher."

A final admonition for selling the quantity market, says Edward Armstrong, is to stock full lines.

"If the small builder can find the tools, hardware, paints, equipment and accessories in a single store, he will give his business consistently to that store."

SELF - SERVICE?

...not for this hardware store!

By Gene Wagner
Wagner's Hardware
Houston, Texas



SELF-SERVICE may be the ideal merchandising approach for many retail outlets, but not for the hardware store!

It has been our experience that hardware customers usually need help. Many items stocked by hardware dealers are unfamiliar to customers, who, while they may have a vague idea concerning their needs, more often are uncertain as to what would be best suited to their requirements. For this reason, the help and advice of a trained hardware salesman is essential, in order that customers may obtain proper and useful information on various items.

We disagree with the advocates

of self-service, for when close contact with customers is lost, many possible sales are lost also.

A good example of the advisability of maintaining close contact with customers may be seen in the operation of our pipe threading department.

This is a service which is readily available to all customers and which is of much help to many. But it is an important service that might go unnoticed, if floor salesmen were not available to help customers with their problems and to pass along information concerning this service.

This service is aimed, not at the contractor who already knows exactly what he wants, but at the customer who might be about to tackle his first job. He not only needs pipe of the correct diameter and length, threaded at one or both ends—he needs advice from someone experienced in the work he is about to attempt. Without the help of an interested salesman, he may not know that he will need couplings, L's, and, perhaps, a reducer. Or he may not learn until too late that threads should be leaded before being tightened permanently.

The salesman in a hardware store is important, if for no other reason than that he is an authoritative source of information for the customer's convenience. And, of course, extra sales result—sales that would be missed if salesmen were not available to suggest additional items that the customer might need.

Our sales personnel are trained to suggest these "extra" items, as much with the thought of helping the customers as of making an additional sale.

To our way of thinking, selfservice is a rather cold and impersonal way of doing business. It affords the dealer little opportunity to get acquainted with his customers. Neither does it give the customer the opportunity to know sales personnel and to rely



SOUTHERN HARDWARE for MARCH, 1950

There is no substitute for personal attention to customers, says Gene Wagner, left. Above, Mr. Wagner offers detailed instructions to paint customers on them for information and advice.

This is important, because in many instances it is the hardware dealer's knowledge of his merchandise that is responsible for those extra sales. But the dealer must have a listener before he can use this knowledge to advantage.

To avoid giving a wrong impression, it might be well to point out that we are firm believers in the self-service type of display. In fact, our displays are of the type that naturally invite customers to serve themselves. However, we chose this type of fixtures because they afford a more effective means of displaying merchandise.

Open displays have many advantages over the ceiling-high method, once so popular. We recognize the fact that seeing is a stimulus to buying. But at the same time, many items call for a salesman's assistance.

The paint department is a case in point. Here, again, our displays are of the open type which encourage self-service. But every hardware dealer knows that the average customer, when purchasing paint for any but the most routine job, has practically no idea of what type paint is really necessary.

Customers in our paint department often try to help themselves. They know the color they want and try to go by the color chart, regardless of the job to be done. If allowed to follow through on this, the customer ofttimes will make a complete mess of the job he is trying to accomplish. The result is that he blames the store for "poor quality paint."

These circumstances can be avoided if a salesman is present to determine what job is to be done, the condition of the particular surface to be painted, and the finish which the customer desires. The result is that the customer leaves the store with the correct paint, and the chances of a satisfactory paint job are almost assured.

Perhaps there is a false economy in a self-service set-up. I say "false," for if a store is to maintain an attractive appearance, stock must be worked constantly. Seasonal goods must be made ready for attractive display, and merchandise being replaced must be relocated and displayed to best advantage.

Such work requires a certain number of persons. Stock boys cannot do this work as effectively as experienced salesmen. And stock boys are a poor source of information, as far as the customer is concerned.

Throughout the week we have five salesmen on the floor. When they are not busy with customers, they are going over the stock. This not only keeps the store apearance up to par, but by constantly working the stock they are reminded of certain items that, through error, are not on display.

On Saturdays we bring in three extra salesmen to help with the heavier flow of store traffic. And here is an interesting observation—one that strengthens our belief that sufficient sales personnel are important in this type of operation. Our regular customers will wait—stall around—until their favorite salesman is available to serve them. Salesmen can build a following through the reliability of their advice and help to customers.

Wholesaler-Manufacturer Convention Features

In the annual joint convention of the Southern Wholesale Hardware Association and the American Hardware Manufacturers Association—in Cincinnati, April 3 to 6, inclusive—more time than usual will be devoted to discussions of wholesalers' operating problems.

Five separate business meetings of the wholesalers are scheduled this year. Two of these are special sporting goods sessions, on morning and afternoon of Monday, April 3. There will also be separate sessions of the Southern Association from 9:30 to 11:00 A. M. on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, each one followed by a joint meeting with the manufacturers: while in the wholesalers' final session, on Thursday morning, there will be further general discussions, along with such routine business as committee reports and election of officers.

Features of the Monday sporting goods sessions will be: A threeway discussion of "Sales Promotion Through the Wholesaler," covering (1) fishing tackle, (2) guns and (3) athletic goods; authoritative talks on such new developments in sporting goods as glass fishing rods and fluorescent "panel" discussions by lures: wholesalers of "Operation Sporting Goods Buses and Trailers" and "Wholesalers' Sporting Goods Shows": and general discussion of such problems as selection, training and compensation of specialty sporting goods salesmen, coordinating the work of full-line salesmen and specialty men, etc.

Among the features of the

wholesalers' meetings on the following three days will be an authoritative explanation of the new wage-and-hour law by Ed Williams, of the Associated Industries of Kentucky, with questionand-answer period to follow; talks and discussions on such topics as "Operating on a 40-Hour Week," "Incentive Plans," "Sales Analysis," "Coordinating the Work of Regular and Specialty Salesmen," and similar timely topics.

In addition to the joint opening convention session on Monday night, there will be brief joint sessions on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings in each of which there will be just one outside speaker. Dr. Edwin G. Nourse, long one of the nation's leading economists and formerly Chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisers, is scheduled on the Tuesday morning program. On Wednesday morning Cecil Palmer, well-known British publisher and lecturer, will give a first-hand explanation of Britain's ventures in socialism. The Monday night speaker is Tom Collins, newspaper man of Kansas City,

The usual elaborate program of entertainment is being arranged, with special entertainment features for the ladies.

Headquarters will be at the Netherland Plaza Hotel, where all convention sessions and entertainment features will be held. Five other leading hotels joined in the guarantee of a minimum of 1375 rooms for the convention. The Netherland Plaza is acting as a "clearing house" in taking care of requests for hotel rooms.

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Officers and directors, left to right, seated: R. M. Souder, secretary-manager; Charles A. Flato III, retiring president: R. E. Lindsey, president; L. P. Nolen, first vice president: E. M. Schaeter, second vice president. Standing: Directors C. A. Washmon, J. C. Stevens, Dick Bowser, Frank L. Halla, R. H. Lindop and J. L. Bruns, Directors Deaton and Spencer are not in the picture

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TEXAS CONVENTION

INDICATING the increasing concern of business men over socialistic tendencies in Washington, the fifty-second annual convention of the Texas Hardware and Implement Association, at Houston, January 23, 24 and 25, began and ended in an atmosphere of sharp criticism levelled at the national administration.

In the interim, the convention heard pointed warnings against trends in national government described as threatening free enterprise, and adopted a strongly-worded six-point resolution devoted principally to criticism of national economy.

This resolution described deficit financing as indefensible and perceived the possibility of national bankruptcy resulting therefrom. It urged removal of war time excise taxes which are interferring with sales, renewed the demand for tax equality, and urged correction of double taxation on corporation income.

One point in the resolution called for strict economy by Texas legislators; and the sixth urged manufacturers to adopt an equitable plan for reimbursing dealers for defective parts discovered in farm equipment during the warranty period.

Registrations for this 52nd convention, with headquarters at the highly-publicized Shamrock hotel, exceeded 1,400, and convention management said attendance was in excess of 1,500. Attendance was stimulated by a merchandise show occupying 15,000 square feet and

filling 112 booths with the products of 85 exhibitors.

Observing its established policy, the association followed recommendations of its nominating committee as reported by Chairman James A. Hill, Jr., immediate past president.

This recommendation replaced Charles H. Flato III, retiring president, of Kingsville, with the first vice president, R. E. Lindsey of Lott. Flato is one of the few to serve almost two full terms as president, his first being without election to the office on retirement of J. B. Reed from the retail hardware field.

The new first vice president is L. P. Nolen, of Seymour, advanced from second vice president; and the nominating committee reached into the board of directors for a second vice president, E. M. Schaefer of Schulenburg.

Three new directors were named. They are J. L. Bruns of Seguin, Frank L. Halla of El Paso and W. W. Spencer of Atlanta. Directors re-elected are Dick Bowser of Houston, R. H. Deaton of Paris, R. H. Lindop of Dallas, J. C. Stevens of Coleman, and C. A. Washmon of Harlingen.

Although there was no election involved, the Texas Wholesale Hardware Association went into executive session in its semi-annual meeting and resolved to hold its summer meeting in San Antonio for the second successive year. Dates are June 16 and 17.

The wholesalers heard an explanation of the new federal wage and hour law as it affects whole-salers, with a question-and-answer period, both conducted by Leroy Jeffers. There followed a discussion of credit conditions and collections by G. E. Floeger, of the F. W. Heitmann Co., Houston. All standing and special committees reported, and the wholesalers adopted a resolution urging the retail association to act, which it did, requesting tax equality among competing lines of business.

President Flato of the retail association, who will also serve on the board of directors since his retirement, led off with criticism of the national administration in his brief address, "Observations of a Retailer," early in the first business session.

"My budget and my business are being controlled more and more by politicians," he declaimed, "and it is time to know if our government is leaning toward socialism, and why. It is time to know, too, if private enterprise is on the way out.

"If we are to survive as business men we must practice political economy. No country that has gone down the socialistic road has ever reversed its direction. With conditions what they are, I am forced to get into politics."

Ralph Carney, vice president and sales manager of The Coleman Co., commented that he found it difficult to use figures in less than billions because of the habit in Washington, and then described people behind sales counters in America as the weakest link in business today.

"Eighty percent of those people," said Carney, "were not there in 1940, so they have confused purchases with sales. The most neglected and the least appreciated person is the retail salesman or saleswoman. And poor retail selling is the most expensive effort on earth.

"We don't have many good retail salesmen, because you retailers are too busy to give proper attention to the weakest link. A sale is made when the customer goes out of the store with more goods of better quality than he expected to buy when he came in. But—the money walking out of independent stores today will make the difference between red and black in the ledger at the end of 1950."

1950 Outlook

Principal farm equipment feature of the program was an address, "The Outlook for 1950 From a Manufacturer's Viewpoint," by Bruce Lourie, vice president of Deere and Co. Lourie said he was

quite optimistic.

"Farm income and prices may slide off some during the year," he continued, "but farm income still will be good compared with any pre-war year. It simply can't continue to go up. The important thing ahead of us this year is to make a profit and maintain the gains already made.

"As I see it, there is little prospect of an appreciable downward change in the price of farm equipment. On the other hand, there really is a justification for increased prices, but it is my belief that manufacturers will withhold any such increase as long as

possible.

"We are carrying a large inventory and will continue to do so, for it is essential to have the merchandise. To sell it in 1950 will require more hard work than any of us has done in years."

He enumerated as requirements for success in 1950, thorough knowledge of products, prospects, trade-ins, time sales and conditions, merchandising and book keeping. Dealers will benefit by working more closely together, he added

Because business men don't take an interest in politics, politicians don't take an interest in business mei's problems, the convention was told by W. R. Noble, national association representative in Washington, Noble said congressmen had told him: "Business men in my district took no interest in my candidacy, they did not elect me, so why should I take an interest in their problems?"

Noble reviewed President Truman's request for a balanced budget, followed by a contradictory request for a five billion dollar deficit, and urged Texans to demand economy in government. Few congressmen know what their constituents want them to do, they say, according to Noble, because constituents seldom write.

"You must take an interest in what's going on in Washington," the speaker admonished, "and in political structure at home. You cannot afford to send anyone except the highest caliber man in your community to congress."

Climaxing the speaking program and criticism of government conduct was the report of Upton Close, commentator and columnist, who paraded shortcomings of the administration before the convention.

Socialistic Efforts

Close said that Socialists hope to gain enough national legislative control in 1950 elections to push through nationalization of some industries, for which bills are already drawn. He warned Texans that their Democratic party is being heavily infiltrated with Socialists.

"This administration is spon-

Central States Club Plans Meeting . . .

THE Central States Hardware Club will sound the opening gun of the annual joint convention of the Southern Wholesale Hardware Association and the American Hardware Manufacturers Association with a dinner and party. Sunday, April 2, in the Pavilion Caprice Room of the Netherland-Plaza Hotel in Cincinnati.

Officers of the club are: Rol. B. Plumb, Eagle Lock Co., president; E. J. Flood, American Chain & Cable Cc., vice president; Ben Leve. The "arborundum Co., sectedly, and J. A. Billings, treasurer.

Reservations should be made through Box Love, 530 W. Cornelia Avenue, Chicago 13, III.

soring a movement," he charged, "to revert to paternalism that our founders fought to get away from. Socialism is the system in which the Government says: 'Give me more and more of your earnings or property so I can take more and more care of you (who I don't trust to take care of yourself), after I have taken care of myself and my friends!" Mr. Close stated.

President-elect Lindsey then delivered a brief address, "Why We Need Our Association," to close the convention.

Wholesaler-Retailer Team

"The Wholesaler-Retailer Team" was the subject of an address by Gus C. Dittmar, manager of the San Antonio Machine and Supply Co. at Waco and president of the Texas Wholesale Hardware Association. He said that wholesalers, who want no consumer business, are constantly channeling business to retailers. Retailers can help wholesalers by avoiding a pyramid of orders with several wholesalers, he added, which results in much returned goods.

Other addresses included "Public Relations Problems of Retailers," by George Kirksey of Houston; "You Can't Take it With You," dealing with wills and protection of business after death, by Edward S. Boyles, Houston attorney; and the annual report of Secretary-Manager R. M. Souder.

A large portion of one business session was devoted to two group meetings. Hardware dealers joined a discussion after an address, "Independents Set the Pace," by Fred R. Olmstead of the national association. Implement dealers also participated in a discussion following an address, "The March of Progress," by Paul M. Mulliken. managing director of the national association.

Convention sessions were held and the annual banquet was served in the lavish Emerald room of the Shamrock, where a number of wholesalers of the Houston-Galveston area entertained delegates at a capacity dancing party. Sponsors were the Bering-Cortes Hardware Co., Black Hardware Co., F. W. Heitmann Co., Kelly Manufacturing Co., Monerief Lenoir Manufacturing Co., National Steel Products Co., Peden Iron and Steel Co., Sheffield Steel Corp. and Southwestern Steel Products Co.

OKLAHOMA CONVENTION

BY BROADENING their objectives to include altruistic, as well as profit, motives, hardware and implement dealers can make the greatest contribution to the welfare of the American business system, Fowler McCormick told the forty-seventh convention of the Oklahoma Hardware and Implement Association.

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Meeting in Oklahoma City on Feb. 7, 8 and 9, the association produced for McCormick, chairman of the board of the International Harvester Company, what was probably the biggest audience for any one industry speaker in association history. Seating facilities in the convention hall were inadequate for the occasion.

In the concluding business session, Secretary Thomas announced that President J. Dewey Clemens of Ardmore would be succeeded by C. L. Murphy of Stillwater, moving up from first vice president. Second Vice President Stewart Martin of Okmulgee moved into the first vice presidency; and Director O. D. Fenimore of Woodward was promoted to second vice president.

Directors continuing at their posts include Wallace Kelly of Tulsa, L. P. Rice of Watonga, J. H. Harlan of Enid and Clyde Reynolds of Carnegie. Because of promotion of Fenimore and the recent death of J. A. Wheatley, past president of Yukon, two new directors will be named, Thomas said. Another recent death was that of M. E. Culp, also a past president, and member of the advisory board.

McCormick spoke on "The Future of Our American Business System in the Long Range View" and prefaced his remarks by commenting that in his opinion, relationship between manufacturer and dealer was never more constructive than it is today. A drift into or away from socialism, he said, depends on the future of American business. And that in turn depends largely on what happens to the small business man.

"All we need to do is project into the future the progress of the past fifty years," he continued. "In our international relations we can, by the placement of capital and management in foreign countries, raise their economic levels."

And in discussing the difficulties between business and government and business and organized labor, the speaker said, "In some respects pressure from Government and unions is a valuable thing, for it forces action that would otherwise be delayed."

McCormick and C. A. Washmon of Harlingen, Texas, were the only speakers actually engaged in the hardware or implement business. Washmon is a director of N.R.F.E.A. and a director of the Texas Hardware and Implement Association. He was introduced as one of the nation's most successful farm equipment dealers.

In discussing his subject, "Fifty Years of Progress," Washmon dealt in detail on each of ten points he said would figure prominently this year in determining the implement dealer's position. He enumerated the ten points as: maintaining volume and margin, increasing overhead, increasing inventories, financing purchases and sales, handling trade-ins, sound sales promotion.

world conditions, state and national legislation, future of agriculture, and manufacturer relations.

In the president's annual address, President Clemens reviewed progress of civilization and business in the past 50 years and stressed the necessity of association affiliation to meet the problems involved in an equal amount of progress and changes in the next 50 years.

Walter C. Ploeser of Clayton, Mo., former member of Congress and former chairman of the house small business committee, had the subject, "Small Business is our Biggest Business."

"Our tax system is preventing the flow of private funds into risk capital needs," he charged, "and our greatest objective is to get some semblance of tax equality. The very keystone in the arch of the competitive system is the small business unit."

Other speakers on the program included Alex Dreier, reporter and commentator, W. J. Sheely of the N.R.H.A. staff, and B. D. Danchik, business management consultant.



New officers of the Oklahoma Hardware and Implement Association, seated, left to right, are: C. L. Murphy, president; J. Dewey Clemens, retiring president; and Stewart Martin, first vice president. Standing, left to right: Wallace Kelly, a director, and R. K. Thomas, secretary-treasurer. Not present for the picture were O. D. Fenimore, second vice president and Directors L. P. Rice, J. H. Harlan and Clyde Reynolds

Kentucky Convention

More than 350 dealers attending the Golden Anniversary convention of the Kentucky Retail Hardware Association in Louisville, Ky., January 31-February 2, heard prominent speakers criticize the lack of aggressiveness by many hardware dealers in those phases of merchandising that help insure profitable operations.

Bruce Burgess, merchandising manager, Union Fork & Hoe Co., Columbus, Ohio, pointed out that selling in 1950 is going to be the key to more profits for hardware dealers. He cited personal experiences on the difference in selling techniques between sales personnel that sell and salesmen that occupy space in the store.

M. D. Graham, business consultant, Concord, Michigan, summed up his suggestions to hardware dealers in 30 words: advertise; improve displays; reduce inventory; control investment; eliminate unsalable items; increase average sale; price goods right; train employees; install prospect systems; do outside selling; modernize; control expenses and realize your responsibilities.

Elaborating on his suggestions he said that dealers do not advertise sufficiently either in the newspapers or various other media; he advised training inexperienced young men as salesmen, rather than hiring salesmen who are set in their ways of bad selling habits.

Public Relations

Stressing the importance of good public relations to increase sales, W. J. Sheely, Indianapolis, merchandising director of the National Retail Hardware Association, urged the group to take advantage of the national advertising campaign sponsored by the Independent Retail Hardware Association. He said it was the first organized effort to make the customer conscious of independent hardware stores.

"The customer is not an interruption to your work — he is your business. Don't argue with the customer—nobody ever won an argument with the customer. Salesmanship is selling goods that won't come back to customers who will come back," Sheely said.

Changes in the tax laws in the last 19 months have made it possible for dealers to save considerable death taxes if their will is properly arranged, Morgan O. Woodward, Louisville manager of the Prudential Insurance Co., told the delegates. He advised them to change their wills to take advantage of these laws. Woodward also gave a number of suggestions to protect the business of a partnership in the case of the death of either.

"We have gone a long way toward socialism in this country because we have been sitting back selling hardware instead of tending to our political gardening," J. F. Leopold, organization management consultant, Dallas, asserted. He said that a gigantic tax racket was going on in this country because the citizens have not been wat-hful. Tax exemptions given churches and schools have been abused, he reported.

Community Teamwork

The value of teamwork in the community was pointed out by C. W. Otto, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, Lansing, Michigan, and the growth of industry and industrial opportunity in Kentucky was cited by Keen Johnson,

vice president of the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, in talks during the final day's session.

Resolutions adopted by the organization were: opposing legislation leading to the control of business by the Government; urged Congress pass legislation providing for similar taxation for all competing businesses; approved the fair minimum price set by manufacturers; asked for the removal of excise taxes.

Thirty-seven manufacturer and distributor exhibits held the attention during recesses in the convention program proper. Exhibitors reported that the amount of orders they were signing up were approximately the same in volume as that of last year, though dealers are still buying cautiously.

New Officers

Gus E. Hank, of Hank Brothers Hardware of Paducah, was elected president to succeed B. F. Norfleet, Norfleet Hardware & Implement Co., Harrodsburg.

Other officers elected were: Joe Kirchdorfer, Jr., Dixie Lawn Supply Co., Louisville, first vice president; Kenneth Cayce, Jr., Cayce-Yost Co., Hopkinsville, second vice president, and Dwayne W. Laws, Louisville, secretary-treasurer.

Named to the board of directors were: Albert Caulk, Caulk Hardware Co., Campbellsville; T. C. Meade, Meade & Co., Paintsville, and Clyde S. Gibson, Brendenburg & Gibson, Pineville.



Newly elected officers and directors of the Kentucky Retail Hardware Association are, left to right: Cecil Skidmore, advisor and past president; Dwayne W. Laws, secretary-treasurer; Clyde S. Gibson, director; B. F. Norfleet, retiring president; Gus E. Hank, president-elect; Joe Kirchdorfer, Jr., first vice president; and Kenneth Cayce, Jr., second vice president





Four ways to profit in a single package! A top flight rule in each price bracket! A better rule for every income group! (1) 'Royal Eagle', a Jewel of a Rule, for the craftsman who is fussy about his tools. (2) 'All-American', popular priced quality rule. (3) 'Columbia' Rule, a utility rule with long life for precise measurement. (4) 'Arrow Rule', for accuracy of markings but without riveted strike-plate joints.

White, easy-to-read Eagle Folding Rules with an appeal in price and quality to each and every member of every family.

A colorful, eye-catching display that says "BUY". Put one ON YOUR COUNTER . . . GET SET . . . and watch them GO!

	UNIT #1	UHIT #2	UNIT #3	PRICE TO DEALER	RETAIL PRICE EACH
6 only ROYAL EAGLE	2		OHE-HALF	5.00	1.25
3 only ALL AMERICAN	ALL	ALL	REGULAR	2.00	1.00
3 only COLUMBIA	REGULAR	INSIDE	ONE-HALF	1.70	.85
6 only ARROW	MARKING MARKING	INSIDE	2.80	.69	
		MARKING	and the same	RETAIL VALUE \$17.19	

DEALER COST 11.50

Your wholesaler will feature this National Hardware Week Special. Be sure to order from him in time.



EAGLE RULE MFG. CORP.

LOUIS WILLIAMS & CO., NASHVILLE 3, TENN.

Watch Repair Shop

(Continued from page 50) still there, still in charge of the same man, and still showing added monthly floor traffic.

A sampling of watch repair customers brings out the fact that at least 80 percent of the jewelry department's customers buy also from the hardware displays, which are arranged on either side of the aisles on the main display floor. Located in the rear of the store, the watch repair shop was originally designed to draw customers down these same aisles and subject them to the neat displays of merchandise.

In the front of the store are items in the larger size bracket—electric appliances, refrigerators, gas stoves, etc. From this display, watch repair customers may go down either of two aisles of other displayed merchandise.

Says L. J. Tolle, owner of Wymore's Hardware, watch repair business has increased in step with hardware volume and proven its worth as a traffic builder.

Lure Tackle Customers

(Continued from page 51) the supply on hand, and a set goes to each current account on the MS&C books.

A variety of lures, rods, reels, lines and accessories which MS&C currently has on its shelves is described in the literature. Ramsey carefully selects the stuffers from available material, in order to achieve the most versatile sales stimulation. Stuffers, he said, definitely have paid dividends for MS&C.

These mailings are the only ones devoted exclusively to fishing tackle, but additional illustrated postais and stuffers are distributed constantly to customers and box-holders throughout the year. Several of these are devoted to general sporting goods promotion or a specific type of sporting goods, and they work successfully in keeping MS&C's name before sports-minded Alabamians.

Ramsey's advertising campaign is somewhat handicapped, due to the fact that Aliceville has no local newspaper. The nearest paper, a weekly published in a town about 10 miles distant, gives only limited circulation in Aliceville. This has been one of the

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FOR THE COMPLETE PLUMBING RUBBER DEPARTMENT!

Selling?





No. 5 Lucky Strike **GARDEN HOSE WASHERS**

"On the spot" salesman -reminds your customers of their needs in Garden Hose Washers. 12 Garden Hose Washers per envelope; 25 labeled cellophane envelopes to display carton

Made RIGHT - Priced RIGHT -Packaged RIGHT... For Today's Merchandising!

No. 36 Lucky Strike FAUCET WASHER ASSORTMENT

Point-of-sale tests prove No. 36 Lucky Strike display creates double sales another LAVELLE first.

36 individual packages per unit. Each includes 8 Genuine Lavelle beveled faucet washers in all popular sizes with necessary brass screws.



Security White SOLID BASIN, BATH, LAUNDRY TUB STOPPERS

Clear white compound with solid base section for long non-swelling usage! 12 to sturdy telescope box. Competitively priced.



426 Wood St., Chicago, III.

TANK BALLS . FAUCET WASHERS . FORCE CUPS . HOSE WASHERS . BASIN STOPPERS . REPAIR ASSORTMENTS



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Draw Knives • Automatic Push Drills • Spiral Screw Drivers • Bit Extensions • Bell Hangers' Drills •
Turning Tools • For complete information on these and other fine GREENLEE Tools, write today to
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reasons MS&C places considerable emphasis on mail promotion. However, the store is represented in nearly every issue of this paper, with a display ad and three large insertions per year dealing exclusively with fishing tackle. These apear in the spring, summer and fall seasons.

To round out his tackle advertising program, Ramsey also utilizes film trailers—three per year—which feature all types of sporting goods, including fishing tackle. The films play one-week "runs" at the Aliceville theatre, with MS&C bearing the entire cost.

In addition to a full line of fishing tackle, which has helped increase traffic and profits in this small-town store, MS&C stocks a line of good quality, but reasonably priced, hunting jackets, caps, boots, coats, wool sox, and other sports clothing, which are prominently displayed within view of the tackle.

MS&C not only offers fishermen the component parts for building boats, it keeps on file a large number of excellent detailed plans for a variety of fishing boats, and these are available without cost to customers. E. V. Strickland, another MS&C salesman and veteran boat-builder, assists fishermen in adapting the plans to their needs and with general construction problems. These free services prove valuable as mediums of goodwill, as well as sales stimulants. About 200 small fishing boats are constructed in the Aliceville area each year, and MS&C furnishes material and plans for an impressive portion of them.

W. H. Somerville does most of the buying for the tackle and boat supply department, and it is he, as well as Ramsey, who maintains a constant check of manufacturers' and wholesalers' literature and trade periodicals, in search of new and attractive merchandise for this productive end of the MS&C business.

Ramsey likes to tell about the store's unique "lure salesman," which was "retired" recently, after many productive years of service. "We had a big, mounted bass head," he explained, "and occasionally we'd bring out the head and attach it to one of the columns in the store. Then we'd stick some newly-arrived bait in the fish's mouth. Almost immediately that particular bait would sell out in a short time."



1. easier to sell-the only complete line of light weight, strong, fast working tools made specially for home gardeners.

Appeals equally to men and women and encourages customers to buy several new tools at one time.

2. Certain to repeat - every item matches perfectly with the others; all are finished alike with distinctive blue handles and gold trim. Draws customers back to the independent hardware dealer for tools that match the others in their kit.

SPEEDLINE matched garden tools

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you a 2-WAY PROFIT



easy to stock - just 18 fast selling items. Nationally advertised in Better Homes & Gardens, American Home, House Beautiful, Sunset, Flower Grower. Sold only through UNION jobbers, under this one brand.

Next time you order lawn and garden tools, be sure to see your UNION jobber's salesman—and say "SPEEDLINE".

The Union Fork & Hoe Co.

Makers of UNION FLEX-BEAM Forks, UNION RAZOR-BACK
Shovels and UNION Right Repair Handles —
all under the UNION name brand.

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POWER! APPEAL! SALES!

Here's the most powerful flashlight made! Uses eight standard flashlight batteries to give 2,500 foot beam... twice the power of the ordinary camp or fishing lantern. Or, convertible circuit takes regular 6-volt lantern battery for extra-long economy service.

Entirely new! There's never been a light like the "Yellow-Flash 8." Compact, handy. Only 8" overall.

Also available in headlight (Model 1958) and hand lantern (Model 2198) at slightly higher lists. Use the "Yellow-Flash" line to boost battery sales. Write direct for complete details or call your jobber for immediate delivery. Be ready for volume sales during the outdoor season.



Eight standard flashlight cells



Annual

JUSTRITE MANUFACTURING COMPANY

2061 North Southport Ave., Chicago 14, Illinois

Billboard Advertising

(Continued from page 53) spraying from a half dozen leaks in his garden hose.

This "inferential" advertising often gets far better results than merely displaying the picture of an item and the price.

Also effective has been another humor campaign, with timely cartoon posters, devoted to both the summer and winter season. One example showed a bespectacled fish addressing a group of young fish in a "fish school" stating "Beware of Tackle from Central Hardware." This, of course, promotes the sporting goods department.

When the company showed rug beaters on one sign, this became the basis for a clever co-operative advertising program with a longestablished St. Louis rug-cleaning firm. The rug-cleaning firm, capitalizing upon the fact that most St. Louisans keep an eve out for Central Hardware signs, ran its own billboard closely duplicating the Central Hardware color scheme, size and layout, with the title "Shame on you, Central Hardware-for suggesting beating rugs." At the bottom of the sign, the rug cleaner showed a rug quailing away from a housewife with beater in hand, and on the other side, a sketch of the company's gentle-handling drycleaning plant. Many St. Louis billboard advertisers have run "takeoffs" on Central advertising, all of which, of course, is ideal publicity.

Over a period of 12 months. Central's signs cover all departments in the store, although only by suggestion, letting the sign-reader hark back in his own mind to needed materials in his home.

Perhaps the most continuously prevalent theme is "Tinker Time" and tools for the home craftsman. a field in which Central Hardware excels. During the winter months there are such signs as "Tools for long tinker nights" with a silhouetted figure shown at a workbench, and the words "tools" spelled out with wrench and pipe. hose, saw blade, T-square, coping saw, etc. With 50 such billboards carrying a new humorous message to a million St. Louisans every month, it is small wonder that the "Central Hardware" is bound to come up whenever hardware is mentioned.

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124
12 Gauge
3-Shot
Repeating Shotgur

59
410 Ga. Bolt Action

.410 Ga. Bolt Action Tubular Magazine Repeating Shotgun 258

20 Ga. Bolt Action Clip Magazine Repeating Shotgun MARCH

"Unbelievable"— that's what your customers will say when they see the price tags on these "repeaters." And you're offering them more than sensationally low prices—these shotguns are good to look at, handle, and shoot. They're rugged, dependable, well-balanced, with years of top shooting service "built-in" by Savage.

SALES HINTS

STEVENS MODEL 124 — Let your customers handle this "First in the Field" value. Point out its low price . . . good handling qualities . . . its all-round adaptability for farm and sports shooting. The "124" features a simple, rugged, cross bolt action. It's a 3-shot repeater, 2 shells in the magazine, one in the chamber.

STEVENS MODEL 59—Here's the only .410 ga. tubular magazine repeater on the market! Demonstrate the bolt action, self-cocking and independent safety features. Point out the one-piece walnut stock and forearm... pistol grip. This light, fine-handling gun is a pleasure to shoot. It's just the arm for pest control and for the younger shooter. Chambered for $2\frac{1}{2}$ " or 3" shells.

STEVENS MODEL 258 — Same fast-selling features as the "59", but in 20 ga., with clip magazine.

Above all, ask your customers to compare these shotgun values with any other "repeaters" on the market!



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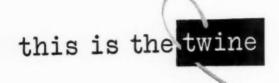
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... you'll find the Savage, Stevens and Fox "Guns of the Month" featured on these pages. Tie in with the "Guns of the Month" program—you'll find it pays off, in a profitable, satisfying arms volume.

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Firearms Division

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A STREAMLINED PROMOTION of 2-color pages every month in leading
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CONVENTION DATES

Alabama Retail Hardware Association, annual convention and trade show, May 17-19, 1950. Headquarters, Tutwiler Hotel, Birmingham, Ala. Secretary, Mrs. Euna G. Ramsey, 509 N. 19th St., Birmingham, Alabama.

Hardware Association of the Carolinas, annual convention June 13-14, 1950. Headquarters Hotel Geo. Vanderbilt, Asheville, N. C. Secretary, Mrs. Sally C. Masten, 118½ E. Fourth St., Charlotte, N. C.

Florida Retail Hardware Association and Georgia Retail Hardware Association, annual joint convention, May 22-23. Headquarters, Hotel George Washington, Jacksonville, Fla. Secretary, W. W. Howell, Box 183, Waycross, Georgia.

Louisiana Retail Hardware Association, annual convention March 20-21, 1950. Headquarters, Heidelberg Hotel, Baton Rouge, La. Secretary, David O. Mansfield, 226 S. State St., Jackson, Mississippi.

Mississippi Retail Hardware Association, annual convention, June 5-6, 1950. Headquarters, Buena Vista Hotel, Biloxi, Miss. Secretary, David O. Mansfield, 226 S. State St., Jackson, Mississippi.

Missouri Retail Hardware Association, annual convention and trade show, March 7-9, 1950. Headquarters, Jefferson Hotel, St. Louis, Mo. Secretary, Louis C. Kreh, 1189 Arcade Bldg., St. Louis, Missouri.

Southern Wholesale Hardware Association and American Hardware Manufacturers Association, annual joint convention, Cincinnati, Ohio, April 3-6, 1950. Headquarters, Netherland Plaza Hotel. T. W. McAllister, 814 Metcalf Bldg., Orlando, Fla., managing director, SWHA. A. L. Faubel, 342 Madison Ave., New York 17, New York, secretary, AHMA.

Virginia Retail Hardware Association, annual convention and trade show, March 21-23, 1950. Headquarters, Hotel Roanoke, Roanoke, Va. Secretary, G. T. Omohundro, Jr., Scottsville, Virginia,

West Virginia Hardware Association, annual convention and trade show, March 13-15, 1950. Headquarters, Greenbriar Hotel, White Sulphur Springs, West Va. Secretary, James C. Fielding, 1628 McClung St., Charleston, West Virginia.

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BUSINESS TRENDS & C.E. C.E.

Continued Expansion in Business Activity

CONTINUED expansion of business during the first weeks of the new year is confirming the optimistic forecasts previously made for 1950's first half.

Factory production, which had climbed to a ten-month high, slipped a bit in January as a result of strikes in the coal and auto industries. Even so, production remains high, and barring a serious extension of the coal strike, factory output and manufacturing employment is expected to continue above a year ago.

Despite the boost in steel prices, a general price rise is not expected. Some automobile manufacturers have cut prices, and the slight decline in demand for farm machinery is expected to hold down prices in this line. For most other finished goods, strong competition is the element that tends to stabilize prices.

Meanwhile, the consumers' faith in the stability of the natural economy seems just as pronounced as during 1949's mid-year business slump. Department store sales are continuing at about last year's level. Reflecting this, also, is the fact that new orders to manufacturers are running ahead of shipments.

Some economists believe that farm prices have about completed their decline, meaning that the farmer will continue to make a good long-time market for practically all commodities.

As a stimulant to business is construction activity, both public and private. Outlays for public construction will reach a record figure with an accompanying high-level of employment.

Some Tax Relief in Sight

I THE persisting rumors are true, the Truman tax plan faces rough going in Congress.

Excise taxes, a constant target for sharp criticism, probably will be reduced even more than the president recommended. At the same time, some observers believe that the freight tax will come off by mid-year. In addition, there are likely to be cuts on rail, air and bus tickets, long-distance calls, furs, luggage, jewelry and admissions.

One blow to the booming television industry is the possibility that television sets may be made subject to a 10 percent tax.

Installment Credit Held Stimulant to Business .

To some observers, consumer credit is the bugaboo that clouds the economic picture. To others, the use of consumer credit by the nation's buyers is one of the important supports to business activity.

Whatever the case, the consumer demand for goods is being stimulated by an easy credit situation. Installment credit granted by merchants during the Christmas buying period jumped about 30 percent above the previous year.

At this time, installment credit outstanding is just slightly under personal income for the nation, a situation similar to the years 1935-40.

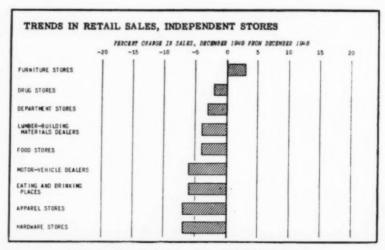
However, liquid assets held by individuals totaled more than 175 billion at the end of 1949, a figure 3.5 times the 1939 amount. Such a reserve has made it possible for many buyers to make large down-payments, loans for the remainder being spread over a short term.

While the amount of outstanding installment credit probably is far from the danger point, one disturbing fact is that sales of autos, appliances and other durable goods may decline later.

Wholesale, Retail Sales Show Slight Decline . .

W HOLESALE and retail sales generally were off in the Southeast during the first 11 months of 1949 as compared with the corresponding period in 1948, according to a recent report from the Bureau of the Census.

Wholesale sales were down 8 percent in the South Atlantic region and 11 percent in the East South Central Section.



From U. S. Dept. of Commerce, "Monthly Report"

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Cappelmann's 50th Year With C. D. Franke Co. .

When E. J. Cappelmann started work with C. D. Franke & Co., Charleston, S. C., in January 1900, he was just 14 years of age-and the salary was the magnificent sum of \$10 per week. The business, which had been established by C. D. Franke in 1860, then specialized in the distribution of buggies, wagons and accessories.

For two years young Cappelmann worked as office boy; next was advanced to stock clerk, then went to the order and billing department. Later he traveled Virginia and the Carolinas for a number of years; and when the company was incorporated in 1921, he became vice president. Then, following the death of J. H. Jahnz in 1947, Mr. Cappelmann was elected president of the company, which for many years has been a leading wholesale distributor of hardware, industrial supplies and allied lines.

Employees and stockholders of C. D. Franke & Co. arranged a dinner party for Mr. Cappelmann at the Francis Marion Hotel in Charleston on February 1, to celebrate his 50th business anniversary.

Watkins-Cottrell Co.'s Mobile Display Room

A new traveling display room which has been termed the "Dis-playmobile," has been put in operation by Watkins-Cottrell Co., wellknown hardware wholesalers of Richmond, Va. The same size as a large Trailway or Greyhound bus, it will be operated on a regular schedule covering Virginia and North and South Carolina, twelve months in the year.

The Displaymobile will be operated by Elliott Hicks, former manager of Watkins-Cottrell's sporting goods room, in conjunction with the regular salesman in whose territory it happens to be traveling.

Primarily, the new traveling display room is intended to carry samples of fishing tackle, baseball, football, basketball, golf, guns, rifles and other sporting goods lines. How-

ever, it will also be used at times to show other seasonable merchandise.

Postcards which are sent to dealers some time in advance, notifying them of the date of arrival of the traveling sample room, carry on one side a photograph of the bus with the reminder, "Watch for the Displaymobile-soon to visit you."

Atkins Appoints Vogel **File Division Manager**

K. W. Atkins, vice president of E. C. Atkins and Co., Indianapolis, Ind., announces the appointment of Augustus Vogel, Jr., to represent Atkins







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in the distribution of its line of files, as manager of the file division.

Before coming with Atkins, Vogel represented the Nicholson File Company, prior to that had been secretary of Imperial Paint Company, and had served as general sales manager of F. O. Pierce Paint Company.

Changes in Stanley Sales Personnel . .

Stanley Electric Tools, New Britain, Conn., has announced the retirement of Henry W. Blackman from active duty as sales manager, a post which he held for the past 20 years. His record of employment







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with Stanley covers 46 years and started in 1903, when he became an

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Keep your cash register ringing up extra fast sales with these long lasting all-purpose cork and tenite plastic floats—made with the same precision craftsmanship that has made "Barracuda" the favorite tackle of fishermen.

with your fishing tackle jobber today for full inforthe complete line of famous Barracuda Brand tackle "Heart of America's Best Proving Grounds." order clerk with the Stanley Rule & Level Company. Two years later he joined the sales force, covering New England and eastern Canada. Later he traveled the territory east of the Mississippi river. In 1929, he became sales manager of Stanley Electric Tools, when that company was made a separate Stanley division.

To succeed Mr. Blackman, Fred O. Fuller has been appointed sales manager of Stanley Electric Tools, and Elmer W. Ellsworth has been named assistant sales manager. Mr. Fuller became affiliated with Stanley as a member of the purchasing department in 1918, with the purchase of the R. L. Carter Company by Stanley in 1929.

Mr. Ellsworth came with Stanley in 1929, when a separate sales force was organized to promote the sale of Stanley Electric Tools. After a sales training course, he represented the company in the New England area and handled other special territory directly under Mr. Blackman.

Nichols Separates Mill and Warehouse Divisions

The Nichols Wire & Aluminum Co., 1725 Rockingham Road, Davenport, Iowa, announces the separation of its warehouse and mill divisions, effective January 1, 1950.

C. L. Johnston has been appointed manager of sales, warehouse division. Mr. Johnston has been with



C. L. Johnston



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the company since 1939, except for the time he served in the U. S. Navy. He has held the positions of sales representative and assistant general sales manager.



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G. J. Brenneman

G. J. Brenneman has been appointed assistant sales manager, mill division. Mr. Brenneman has been with the company since 1947, and has held the positions of material control supervisor and sales representative. He was formerly associated with the Aluminum Company of America in Pittsburgh and Chicago.

Daniels to Promote Pol-mer-ik Oil Sales

The appointment of John H. Daniels as sales promotion manager of Pol-mer-ik Bolled Linseed Oil sales has been announced by J. W. Moore, vice president of the Archer-Daniels-Midland Company, Minneapolis, Minn.

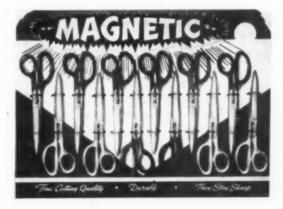


J. H. Daniels

During the war, Daniels served as a first lieutenant with the Field Artillery and saw action in France, Germany, and Czechoslovakia. He first joined A-D-M in 1946. For the past three years he has served as flaxseed buyer on the floor of the Minneapolis Grain Exchange.



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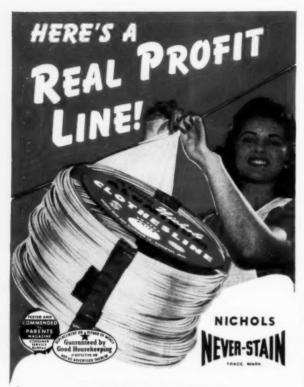
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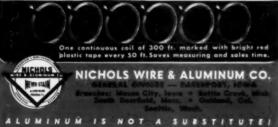
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Atlantic Steel Elects Three New Directors

Atlantic Steel Company, Atlanta, announces the election of three new directors at a meeting of the company's stockholders in January. They are: C. B. McManus, president of Georgia Power Company, and two Atlantic Steel vice presidents, Joseph H. Girdler and Howard B. Johnson.

Mr. Girdler, a graduate of Lehigh University, came to Atlantic Steel in 1941. Prior to his election as a vice president in 1949, he served as open hearth superintendent. He is now vice president in charge of operations.

A graduate of Georgia Tech, Mr. Johnson has served the company in various capacities since 1933. He was elected a vice president in 1946 and is now vice president in charge

of sales and finance.

All officers of the company were re-elected. They are: Charles F. Stone, chairman of the board; Robert S. Lynch, president; Wilbur Glenn, vice president; C. H. Candler, Jr., secretary; Gilbert Purvis, treasurer; and Robert S. Stradley, assistant secretary and treasurer.

Raymond Named Sales Manager of True Temper

Robert R. Raymond, formerly sales manager of the tool division of True Temper Corporation, Cleveland, was promoted to vice president and general sales manager at a recent meeting of directors.

Mr. Raymond replaces John O. Findeisen, who was made vice president and merchandise director.



R. R. Raymond

Well known throughout the hardware jobbing trade, and a member of the Old Guard, Mr. Raymond joined True Temper in 1937. He is a native of Evansville, Indiana, and a graduate of Indiana University.

Mr. Raymond was manager of the Evansville Tools Works when the concern was taken over by the American Fork & Hoe Company, known as The True Temper Corporation since July 1 of this year.

National Hardware Show Set for October 2-6 . . .

The fifth National Hardware Show will be held October 2-6 at the Grand Central Palace in New York City.

Sponsors of the show have announced that the show will be increased to five days to give exhibitors more time in which to transact their business with the buyers attending the show.

The Fishing and Hunting Division will be further expanded this year to take care of additional manufacturers who wish to exhibit.

Frank Yeager, managing director of the show, stated that, while there were 225 exhibitors in the Fishing and Hunting Division last year, arrangements are being made to accommodate at least 75 more at the



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1950 show. Last year's buyer attendance was 29.675.

The Fishing and Hunting Division, it was explained, again will have a special advertising and promotional plan to reach every buyer of sporting goods in the country. The policy of the Division with respect to exhibitors and attendance again will be to restrict exhibitor space to manufacturers only, and only the trade will be permitted to attend.

Sponsors pointed out that the show immediately precedes the convention of the American Hardware Manufacturers Association and the National Wholesale Hardware Association which will be held in Atlantic

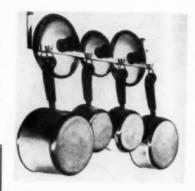
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NEW PRODUCTS AND SALES PROMOTION MATERIALS

New Utensil Racks for Revere Ware Line . .

Revere Copper and Brass, Inc., Rome Manufacturing Division, Rome, New York, is introducing a new Revere Ware utensil rack for the display of Revere Ware by housewives in kitchens. The ring in the handle of each of Revere's utensils fits over the hangers on the rack.



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The racks are made in three sizes: No. 1720 is 22½" long, equipped with four adjustable hangers, sold separately or purchased with the X-20 set (one 1-qt. sauce pan with cover, one 6" covered French Chef skillet, and the No. 1720 utensil rack); No. 1721 rack is 22" long, holds four utensils and covers securely in place, and provides several arrangements for larger utensils; No. 1722 DeLuxe rack, 31½" long, and holds up to ten utensils and covers.

The racks are said to keep pans and covers within easy reach and to save space. The No. 1721 rack is shown here.

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Langley Adds "Whitecap" Combo Reel to Line

The Langley Corporation, 660 Second Ave., San Diego, California, announces the addition of the new Whitecap Combo Reel to its line of reels with the Anti-Inertia Spool, marking the entrance of the Langley Corporation into the salt water field.

The star drag, level wind Combo reel is said to deliver a new high in performance for combination-type reels. Suitable for both fresh and salt water fishing, it features streamlined tear-drop design with anodized aluminum spool, and is salt water corrosion resistant, it was announced.

The crank is non-reversing, and



can be thrown on or off instantly by thumb lever on head cap, the manufacturer reported. The new dualpurpose reel has the Langley Anti-Inertia Spool, which is said to eliminate casting drag and backlash.

The Whitecap will sell for \$13.00

Wooster Introduces New Cup-and-Saucer Rack .

The Wooster Rubber Co., Wooster, Ohio, has introduced a new Rubbermaid cup-and-saucer rack, designed to save shelf space and said to reduce cup and saucer breakage and chipping, tone down kitchen noise, save time and steps in storing dishes, or in setting a table, and to lend a holiday note to the serving of family or guests.



The rack is of durable wire, with a special cushion-coating that does not peel or soften in scalding water, grease or soap, it was announced. Now being introduced in a variety of kitchen-harmonizing colors—red, white, and yellow—the racks hold eight cups, with saucers. A smaller size is for cups alone.

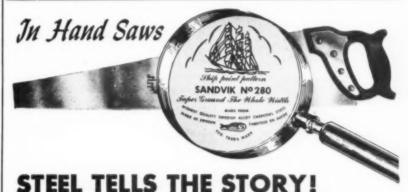
Ocean City - Montague Catalog Available . .

Ocean City Mfg. Co., A and Somerset Streets, Philadelphia 34, Penn., has introduced its new 1950 catalog, with nearly 200 illustrations in natural color, magnified blow-ups of features, helpful hints on techniques, equipment requirements and care of reels and rods. Its complete line is presented in over 30 different groupings, covering every type of angling, it was announced.

Every page in the book is said to contain information of aid to dealer and fisherman alike. The descriptions and engineering specifications have been set forth clearly and concisely, and features have been highlighted in magnified blow-ups to help the reader visualize the Ocean City reels and Montague rods.

Each of the sections is also illustrated with tints of fishing scenes, different fish, lures and accessories generally associated with that type of angling. In addition to such well-known groupings as "Fly Fishing," the catalog also includes specialized sections, such as "Deep Trolling."





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NATIONAL HARDWARE WEEK April 28 - May 6



The regular merchandiser for "Yankee" No. 3400 Offset Ratchet Screw Drivers will carry a colorful band across the top announcing the special low price of 79c for National Hardware Week. After May 6 the band can be easily removed if all drivers are not sold.



The "Yankee" 3400 Ratchet Offset Driver is pocket-size, and one of the handiest tools available. Order a liberal stock of No. 3400 HW . . . real Hardware Week Value!



NORTH BROS. MFG. CO. Philadelphia 33, Pa.

Ocean City Introduces Give-Away Tackle Stunt

Ocean City Manufacturing Co., Philadelphia, Penn., introduced a new give-away stunt to the tackle trade scene last month. The novel merchandising idea features free offer of a 50-yard spool of nylon casting line, which the dealer can give to his customers with each purchase of one of three popularpriced, fast-selling Ocean City levelwind models.



The stunt is designed to serve a two-fold purpose, it was announced: to introduce Ocean City's new top grade line, which is black, waterproofed and braided of DuPont nylon, and to attract business that will get the dealer off to an early start on the season's reel sales.

Ocean City's introductory offer is known as the No. 3627 deal. The dealer buys a carton of 12 level-wind reels, 6 with \$4.00 list in Deal 1591, or 3 at \$6.50 list in Deal 1970. On top of each individual reel box is attached a 50-yard spool of the line, wound on an ivory plastic spool, attractively labeled. Selling this merchandise at retail, the dealer is able to offer both at the list price of the reel alone. The line is valued at \$1.30 per spool list.

The shipping carton is said to contain an eye-catching counter card which can be set up in the store immediately upon receipt. The offer is described in a broadside mailing, now reaching the trade, which emphasizes that the offer will be available for a limited time only and may be withdrawn at the discretion of Ocean City, it was announced.

Cleveland Chain Redesigns Round Reel Display Stand

Cleveland Chain & Mfg. Co., Cleveland, Ohio, announces the redesigning of the Round Reel Salesman chain display stand to secure greater merchandising value. The new stand features a handy 36-inch rule down the left side which can

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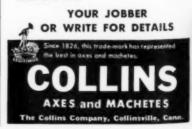
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For bushing out trails, or clearing around camp or cottage, there's no finer one-hand edged tool than the easy-tohandle, keen cutting machete.

Blade: Forged steel — 17-inch, nearly 1/8-inch thick at back — ground and polished. Handle: Tough, black plastic, firmly riveted. Retails at \$1.75. With decorated sheath, genuine cowhide, sewn seam and belt loop — the two retail at \$4.50.



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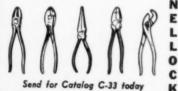
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be used by dealers in measuring off a desired quantity of chain. Also, the top panel has been redesigned to include the "Round-oldest name in chain" insignia, adopted last year during the company's 80th anniversary.

The Reel Salesman holds four reels of chain (or their equivalent on onehalf or one-third reels). Sturdily constructed, it is 51 inches high, 15 inches deep and 20 inches wide. New weight is approximately 24 lbs. The stand is furnished with a variety of assortments, made up of quick-selling chain items, it was announced.

Reel Salesman are available from The Cleveland Chain & Mfg. Co., and The Bridgeport Chain & Mfg. Co., Bridgeport, Conn.

Nat'l, Lock Announces New Cabinet Hardware Set . .

widely-inclusive board assortment for a complete and hardware department is cabinet claimed by National Lock Company of Rockford, Illinois, in announcing the No. 150 Cabinet Hardware Assortment.

The new assortment includes the finest cabinet hardware from National Lock's extensive line, it was announced.

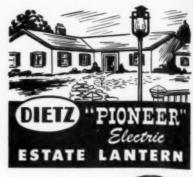


Four new items are featuredforged brass hardware, a new type concealed hinge, concave knobs and a distinctively-styled die cast handle. In addition, the No. 150 offers the complete Deluxe and Aristocrat matched sets.

Popular finishes, such as bright brass, dull brass, dull bronze, bright chromium and dull chromium, are stressed by the company as adding to the sales-desirability of many of the hardware items.

Offered as an assortment, with well-balanced quantities of each item, the No. 150 also provides a handsome display board requiring minimum counter space.

It is pointed out that any desired quantities of any item may be secured from open stock. The No. 150 is available promptly through conventional distribution channels.



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22" high. Black waterproof finish. Frosted glass globe. Uses any standard light bulb. To be mounted on post or bracket, Hollow base tapers for snug fit.

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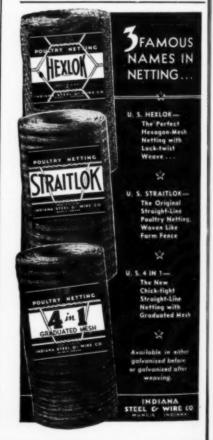
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Red Devil Painter Kit for National Hardware Week

Red Devil Tools, Irvington 11, New Jersey, announces for the first time the Red Devil A1 Painter Kit, for National Hardware Week promotion.

The promotion of the kit is said to be backed by many point-of-sale helps, such as three color window streamer, removable price card, display card, mats and electros for flyer or newspaper, and national advertising.



The kit is described as a carefully selected sampler of the leading Red Devil glass, paint and scraping tools, enclosed in an all-steel utility box with clasp lock and sturdy handle on top. Included are the following Red Devil tools: No. 024 glass cutter, No. 0 cabinet scraper, No. 40 wood scraper, No. 9 sandpaper holder, No. 24 handy pack sand-paper (four grits), No. 13 Jak-Nife scraper, No. 21-2 box triangle points and driving tool, No. P23-11/2S putty knife, No. P103 wall scraper, No. LS1 lucite scraper, No. PH1 paint can hook, and No. 7 utility box.

Retail sales price of the A1 Paint Kit complete is \$2.79, in place of the regular price of \$3.55, representing a 20 percent or over savings, it was announced.

G. E. Flashlight Bulb Merchandiser Announced

The General Electric Lamp Department, Cleveland 12, Ohio, has announced a new flashlight bulb merchandiser, containing 100 bulbs of eight selected types. Its ordering designation is F-8-C.

The compact cardboard container is approximately seven inches square and 11/2 inches thick. It is designed to serve as an effective merchandising display piece on the dealer's counter and as a compact storage cabinet on his shelf, it was announced.

The 100 flashlight bulbs, mounted in 10 rows on an inner tray, may be displayed openly by partially pulling out the tray and standing the merchandiser up by means of its easel. The eight types of bulbs are clearly marked on the tray according to



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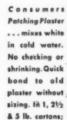
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Natures—South Bend 104, MR., So. Bend, Ind. So. Calif. & S. W. – Anderson Sales Company, 730 W. 10th Place, Los Angeles 15, Calif. No. Calif.—Standard Toy Agencies, 718 Mission, San Francisco, Calif.

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their identification numbers. The outer container is printed in bright blue and yellow, with the words "Flashlight Bulbs" prominently featured in black.

Eagle Rule Special for National Hardware Week

Eagle Rule Mfg. Corp., 510 Hunts Point Ave., New York 59, N. Y., is offering a colorful dispenser-display package containing 11/2 dozen folding rules, ranging in price from 69 cents to \$1.25, as a special for National Hardware Week, April 28 to May 6.

The assortment is said to provide a rule to suit every purse and every member of the family, and will be so advertised in consumer publications.



Each unit contains six Royal Eagle rules, retailing at \$1.25 each; three All Americal rules, retailing at \$1.00 each; three Columbia rules at 85 cents each; and six Arrow rules at 69 cents each. The cost to the dealer is \$11.50, and the rules are available with choice of regular or inside marking, it was announced. Unit No. 1 contains all regular marking; Unit No. 2 all inside marking; unit No. 3 one-half regular, one-half inside marking.

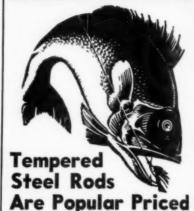
The display is convertible, after National Hardware Week, to a regular dispenser display by dis-carding the sleeve featuring the big week, it was reported.

Sargent Display Features Silent Salesmanship . . .

The "silent salesman" technique in hardware merchandising is indicated by Sargent & Company's recently developed demonstration display for its Bernard quality pruning tools.

Basic idea of the display is summed up in the slogan "Try Before You Buy!" The customer is given an opportunity, not only to see and handle the tools, but to test them in actual use. Short lengths of dowel rods, for example, are provided with which to test the strong leverage for clean cutting power of the shears. A roll of heavy paper tape is supplied for testing the swift





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Sargent & Company's headquarters is in New Haven, Conn.

Atkins Introduces New Saw Packaging System

A new packaging system for crosscut and circular cordwood saws has been announced by E. C. Atkins and Company of Indianapolis,

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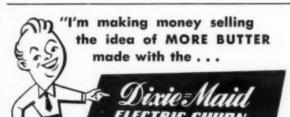
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ables easier inventorying and conserves storing space, it is claimed, and the user is sure of receiving his saw in the same condition in which

it left the factory.

Hereafter, all Atkins "Silver Steel" and medium priced Atkins crosscuts will be individually packed in corrugated board, five crosscut or six one-man saws to a corrugated package. Packages of two-man saws will be reinforced in four places with steel strapping; packages of one-man saws, with three steel straps. Description of contents of each package will be stamped on sides and both ends of the container.

All circular saws, from 20 inches to 36 inches will be individually packaged in corrugated containers and each package properly marked.

Hanson Display Shows Seven New Scales . .

Hanson Scale Co., 525 N. Ada St., Chicago 22, Illinois, has announced

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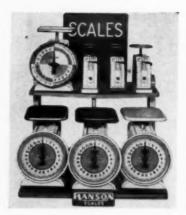
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a new counter display stand, designed to help dealers in their scalemerchandising efforts. The stand has two shelves and is intended to accommodate seven Hanson scales, consisting of three popular models.

Sturdily constructed and attractively finished, it is said to occupy a counter space 18 inches wide by 14 inches deep. It is available to dealers with an assortment of seven

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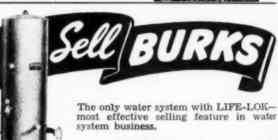
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